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AT THE BANQUET TABLE

CHICAGO'S COLORED BUSINESS ASSOCIATION CATHERS.

IN HONOR OF JESSE BINGA'S BIRTHDAY

Garnett Gets Judgment Against Illinois Central Railroad—Holy Nazerine vs. Mattie L. Thornton—Mrs. Geo. Walker Gives a Breakfast.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 15 (Special).

"With Malice Toward None and Charity Toward All" was the motto that flashed on the banners of the Chicago Colored Business Association's first banquet last Thursday evening at the Baker hotel, where the association celebrated the forty-eighth birthday anniversary of Mr. Jesse Binga, the banker. Fifty of Chicago's most substantial business and professional men were present to lend a word of good cheer to the remarkable and sucessful career of Mr. Binga and to launch a movement which, when set in motion, will become the greatest lever to raise the colored man high in business and practical success, that has ever been attempted in the Windy City. Practical ideas of business were advanced by Mr. Binga which will mean a real transformation of the Negro in business on the south side. It will mean helpfulness to the business and professional man. A business scheme is being planned by Mr. Binga and the organization that will bring together five hundred men and their interests will be interwoven, helping each man that is a member.

A nine-course dinner was served and after the dinner speeches were delivered by several prominent men. Dr. Claude Bell acted as toastmaster, felicitously introducing each speaker. Mr. M. T. Bailey spoke on "The Power of Organization"; Major R. R. Jackson, "How Can We Advance in Business"; Mr. Julius F. Avondorph, "The Possibilities of the Race"; Dr. M. Bibbs, "Professional Life"; Mr. H. T. Mitchell, "The Present Era"; Mr. Jesse Binga, "That Which Makes a Man, Makes a Race." Mr. Binga is well known in the commercial world of this city and was recently made a member of the Illinois Bankers' Association.

Mr. Binga's Speech.

Mr. Binga said: "The study of men from the earliest period of time has been one of the greatest themes. We have met here tonight to talk and follow the man as we see him today, more especially that man that makes our race, that we know ourselves better. It is unnecessary for us to dwell at length upon our past conditions, because it would be impossible to forget the many hardships and privations that we have been subjected to and it must be acknowledged to our credit that we have passed through the worst stage in our history. A few years past in Chicago, the bar room was the clearing house for 'would-be leaders,' and you could often see them there, with a stomach full of whiskey, head full of hot air, false pride and vanity, criticizing all the moral worth, right and good in the race. It is different now, but we still have with us the slugger and roustabout who does everything that is offensive to lower the morals of our race, together with the parasite who will not work, yet feasts upon the best that has been developed by frugal efforts and hard labor of others and who, by their identity, retard the progress of the race. On the other side of our ledger we have the honest laborer with the hod on his shoulder, in his little abode; the business men struggling with a small stock and less encouragement, trying to make ends meet; the professional man who has spent years of study and practice with a brave heart, and the ministers, who are devoting their lives for the betterment of our spiritual welfare. This is our Chicago.

"It is up to us to hasten the day when better times will dawn upon us, when our cherished hopes will be realized, when success will attend our every effort. It must be our desire to serve if we expect better service. Avenues in all lines are opening to us and it is 'up to us' to be 'up and doing.' Envy and selfishness should be put aside, petty jealousy disdained and we should arise in our might to meet the many emergencies that confront us, remembering that 'in union there is strength.' East of the railroad, the Thirties belong to the Negro. * * * There is no reason why the stores where you trade in this vicinity should not be owned and conducted by one of our race. This is our district absolutely. We should and must learn to patronize one another. Not until that time will the race amount to anything. 'We will reap what we sow.' Fearlessly let us push forward. As a race we are individually responsible for our moral character and to establish that is a business, and as our character is being shaped, let us stand firm to mould the proper conditions in our several localities. And when this is accomplished, you will see 'That what makes a man, makes a race.'

Forward and Onward.

"Possibilities and opportunities are before us and to gain the victory we must walk in solid phalanx, standing shoulder to shoulder, listening to the command of our leaders, believing in their ability to conquer. Are you a member of this rising host? Do you not hear the mighty noise from all in line? If you are not with us, stand aside or be swept into the rushing stream. We live in a city whose motto is 'I Will.' By organizing, centering our minds upon business, trades and professions with integrity, and believing in God, will make the man that makes the race. After we leave tonight let the echo of this meeting be the spirit to guide us, and in after years we can look with pleasure and say that we were glad to have been here, for these moments will not have been spent in vain."

The program was printed by Major R. R. Jackson's printing establishment, and was the finest ever presented to the Chicago public.

Mr. John I. Thornton, chef on the Indiana, a steamship going between Milwaukee and Chicago, left on Tuesday night for Springfield, Ill., to appear before the senate committee on Wednesday. He will spend the day at the legislature, returning on the same evening to Chicago.

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Hon. W. H. Clark and Dr. Burt Anderson left on Tuesday night for Springfield, Ill.

Louis Carnett vs. Illinois Central R. R.

Lawyers George W. Ellis and Richard E. Westbrooks secured judgment against the Illinois Central railroad for damages for loss of a portion of the goods of Louis Garnett, which were shipped from Cairo, Ill., to Chicago. The case was a very difficult one on account of the fact that the railroad company held a signed receipt in full as having delivered all of the goods called for by by the bill of lading in said shipment. The critical point through which the case for the plaintiff in the trial was when the two colored lawyers proved to the court that Louis Garnett could neither read nor write, and thus invalidating the only evidence that the goods had been delivered in the signed receipt.

Holy Nazerine vs. Mattie L. Thornton.

Holy Nazarene Tabernacle church vs. Mattie L. Thornton is another case which is being prosecuted by Messrs. Ellis and Westbrooks with W. G. Anderson defending for Mrs. Thornton. The case is very important, ivnolving the title to property at 2965 South Dearborn street, where the church is located. It is attracting a great deal of interest among church going people, on account of the religious controversy involved. The lawyers on both sides are colored and the contest is being watched with keen interest by many in the city as well as being much liscussed by the friends of the defendant through certain newspapers as to the merits of their side of the case. There is no disposition here to take sides with either side of the case, but in order that the reading public may get some idea of what the facts are, I will state a few facts which are included in the record of the case. The first fact is that Lawyers Ellis and Westbrooks filed a bill in chancery in the Superior Court of Cook county against Mattie L. Thornton, an expelled preacher of the Holy Nazarene Tabernacle church, after proper charges were filed, trial and conviction, to have the said Mattie L. Thornton removed as trustee in the contract to purchase the church property, to require her to render an accounting for moneys which she had received to be paid upon said church property and which she appropriated to her own use, and for the further purpose of an injunction restraining the said Mattie L. Thornton from attempting to officiate in said church or to in any wise interfere with the peaceful and lawful possession of the said church by the Holy Nazarene Tabernacle church, pending the disposition of this bill in chancery. The court, upon notice, granted a writ of injunction, restraining the said Mattie L. Thornton as aforesaid. She, however, took an expressman, her son-in-law, and one or two followers and went to the church and took by force and violence from the premises a certain piano, which she claimed as her private and personal property. Messrs. Ellis and Westbrooks sued out a writ of replevin for this piano in behalf of the Holy Nazarene Tabernacle church. The matter came duly to trial and the court found for the plaintiff, and the piano was retained by the said church. No appeal was taken in the case. Immediately, Lawyer Anderson filed a motion in the Superior Court to dismiss the bill and to dissolve the injunction for the want of equity. Elaborate arguments were made on both sides, after which the court decided against Mr. Anderson and refused to either dissolve the injunction or dismiss the bill, but upon a trick played by Mr. Anderson in the reading of one decision, leave was granted complainant to amend his bill by inserting the names of the trustees. Messrs. Ellis and Westbrooks examined this cited decision of Anderson and found that he had not only tricked the court but had refused to allow the other lawyers to see the case after he had cited it. Messrs. Ellis and Westbrooks served notice on Mr. Anderson and went in on Monday last on a motion to vacate the orders for a leave to amend. The case of Mr. Anderson was thoroughly examined and discredited and the court vacated the order to amend and position of the Holy Nazarene Tabernacle church is exactly where it was when the suit was begun. Before the argument on the motion began, however, Mr. Anderson filed a plea of nul tiel corporation, which denies that the church has a right to sue Mattie L. Thornton in law or equity. The court refused to hear the matter then upon objection of Ellis and Westbrooks and it comes up April 21, before Judge Kavanaugh.

Mrs. Wm. H. Washington Entertains.

Mrs. Wm. H. Washington, of 529 Bowen avenue, entertained last Friday, in honor of Misses Laura and Jerene Miller, of Winnepeg, Canada. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Craft, Mr. and Mrs. A. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Washington, Misses Estelle Arnold, Corine Wilson, Edith Madden, Ethel Murphy, Helen Jackson, Grace Thompson, Ada Lou Mitchell, Geraldyne Hodges, Ethel Mitchell, Eloise Carey, Rena Brahanan, Elizabeth Clark, Bertha Young, Garnetta Tibbs, Maud Taylor, Lucile Woods, Leila Stubbs, Vivian Harsh, Hazel McIntyre, Drs. U. G. Dailey, H. W. Garnes, Messrs. DeWitt Curtis, Cary B. Lewis, T. Alfred Anderson, Arthur Wilson, LeCount Cook, Gordon Jackson, Ned Chestnut, R. Brown, Louis Thompson, Walter Anderson, Ferd Barnett, Dr. Myers and Dr. Croswait and Miss Katie Easton and Louis Easton.

A theater party was given Misses Miller at the Studebaker theater on last Saturday night. In the party were Misses Vivian Harsh, Maud Taylor, Hazel McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler, Mr. Alfred Anderson, Pritt Harsh, Cary B. Lewis and Dr. Harry Garnes.

Mrs. George Walker Gives a Breakfast

Mrs. George Walker, 522 Bowen avenue, entertained the Misses Miller at a breakfast on last Sunday morning. Those present were the Misses Miller, Estelle Arnold, Eloise Carey, Maud Taylor, Bertha Young, Vivian Harsh and Mrs. George Walker. The visitors left Sunday night, after being given a reception on Sunday afternoon at the home of Miss Vivian Harsh. The Misses Miller were also the guests of the beautiful dinner-dance on last Thursday evening, given by the bachelor members of the Thursday Evening Club.

Dining Room De Lux.

In the spacious apartments of Mrs. Shoecraft, room 214 Mecca building, at Thirty-fourth and State streets, is now located the dining room de luxe, which is being conducted by Miss Maud Hurley, one of the finest cateresses in this city. For several months, Miss Hurley was in one of the big downtown dining rooms, where she was the head pastry-maker. With a world of experience and a fund of knowledge of cooking, she decided to open a dining room at 214 Mecca building. She started with two boarders four weeks ago, and today she is serving as many as sixteen regulars and twenty-six on Sundays. Her meals are delicious, well cooked and seasoned. With normal prices, splendid up-to-date service, she has one of the most inviting places for serving first-class meals in the best of style that is open to the colored public on the south side. Conveniently located and well appointed in every detail, her ability and disposition to serve the public entitles her to the patronage of all those who wish to eat and be served with the best prepared meals amid the cleanest and most inviting surroundings. While the guests are being served the Victrola embalms the air with entrancing strains of the latest and most popular music. To visit this refreshing dining parlor is to desire to return soon and partake of the dainty and pre-arranged menu which she has especially designed for the consuming public.

Dr. Midian Bosfield's Father Dies.

Word was received here on Sunday, that the father of Dr. Midian Bosfield had died at Kansas City, Mo. Dr. Reginald Smith left on Monday night to attend the funeral and to be of any service possible to the family. Dr. Smith is a dear friend of Dr. Bosfield. The many friends of Dr. Bosfield were grieved to hear of the untimely death of Mr. Bosfield.

Mr. "Bert" Williams will leave on Saturday night for St. Louis, playing several weeks with the "Follies of 1912."

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Mrs. Katie Clark, of 3600 State street, has gone to French Lick Springs, Ind., to be there for several weeks to take the baths.

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Messrs. M. M. King and L. M. Taylor, of the junior class of Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., arrived in the city the first of the week. Mr. King will stay in the city all summer, living at 3949 Prairie avenue, and Mr. Taylor will be at the Omaha Club, Omaha, Neb.

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Lawyers Ellis and Westbrooks left on Tuesday night of this week to protest against the passage of the "full crew" bill, which will by law, legally deprive colored porters from working in the state of Illinois on all railroad trains. They will appear before the senate committee on railroads.

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Mr. Wesley Turner, one of the most popular young men in Chicago, was seen along the "stroll" this week, hobnobbing with friends.

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The many friends of Bishop Derrick in Chicago deeply regret to learn of his recent death.

MUSKOGEE (OKLA.) NEWS.

(By John W. Williams.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

One of the most progressive signs of Negro activity is the rapid progress being made by Hon. H. C. Simmington, formerly of Clarkdale, Miss. It will be remembered that Mr. Simmington came to Oklahoma only three years ago and in that time has won the confidence of the people. At present he is holding the position of head clerk at J. W. Adams' store, and he also owns a half interest in the Excelsior steam laundry, which employes twelve colored people and is said to be the best equipped colored steam laundry in eastern Oklahoma.... The big fight at the First Baptist church, in which Rev. S. S. Jones has been the central figure, has sprung up in a new place and the general public as well as the members is anxiously waiting the result.. Major W. M. Barr, who has been one of the assistant headwaiters at the New Severs hotel, resigned his position last week to accept a position as headwaiter at the Torson hotel ....Prof. J. R. Maine, who recently left for Los Angeles, Cal., writes from the latter place that he is highly impressed with the situation of the Negro in that section of the counry....Major Worrie Wrinttie, the Wealthy Creek freedman, has purchased him a beautiful Haynes auto for the suf of $2,000....Mr. C. T. Humes, the veteran newspaper man who has been employed at the Muskogee Tribune Power Company, resigned his position last week and has gone to Nashville, Tenn., where he will accept a position with the National Publishing Company, of which Hon. R. H. Boyd is president. With him goes the best wishes of his many friends......Miss Mabel Tucker would like to correspond with som ehighly refined young man, with the object of matrimony. Must be industrious; no othe rneed apply. Address Miss Mabel Tucker, corner of Ninth and Empora streets, Muskogee, Okla.....The famous Pastime theater is still on the map, and is showing to crowded houses each night. Major Jesse Brown, the veteran show man, states that the theater lovers may expect great things in his line during the coming season....Hon. A. E. Patterson, candidate for position in the United States treasury, and one of the best equipped Negroes for the position in eastern Oklahoma, is talked of very much throughout the entire southwest. Lawyer Patterson is a young man with a world of experience and has been one of the pillars for the success of the Democratic party for a number of years in Oklahoma....Dame Rumor has it that Mr. C. H. Lee, of this city, will soon take unto himself a better half in the person of Miss Leala Anderson, one of the city teachers of the public high school at Tyler, Texas. The wedding to take place the latter part of May. Both of the young people are well known in Texas and Oklahoma society, the bride being a graduate of the public high school at Dallas, Texas in the class of 1904, and the groom being a native of the Creek Nation, hence the affair will be carried out according to the old Greek custom, with a three-day barbecue and celebration....In speaking of one of Muskogee's most promienent young men we call the public's attention to Major L. E. Ware, formerly of Waco, Texas. While yet a young man, he has shown to the world what a Negro can do if he tries. At present he is secretary of the Second Baptist church, and is also a driver for the Excelsior steam laundry, and is also treasurer of the U. B. of F., all of which positions he holds with credit to himself and friends.

LAFAYETTE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Albert Biggs, the proprietor of the Pekin resaturant and ice cream parlor, is doing some remodeling at his place of business on Salem street. He caters to all visitors, and is very popular....Mrs. Hannah Thorn, who was very ill last week, is better at the present time. We hope for her speedy recovery....We had the pleasure of entertaining at the home of Miss Mary Parker, Mr. Garfield Heath and Miss Ruth Tilford, Mr. William Hatten, Mr. Pearl Valentine, Mr. Robert Kersey and Mr. Herman Hatten. Mr. Herman Hatten and Mr. William Hatten were the entertainers. We had a fine time and were well entertained. Mr. Archie Harper of Frankfort was a guest of honor. Miss Mary, Amelia and Lydia Parker were the hostesses....Mr. William Anderson, Freeman agent, had the pleasure of a short visit at the beautiful home of Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas Monday evening. The home is located at 1626 North Thirteenth street. The writer was highly entertained and enjoyed a pleasant evening....Mr. Anthony Hubbard is indisposed at present from a badly dislocated shoulder....Miss May Hubbard was ill last week, but is able to be out this week....Mr. Edward Carter does not seem to improve, but we hope for a change for the better....Mrs. Rose Wier is up and about again after a recent illness......Miss Roberta Johnson visited her parents for three weeks, but will return to Fort Wayne Sunday. She spent a very nice time while here. Her parents reside at 1525 North Ninth street....Mr. Joseph Moore was in the city Sunday the guest of friends. His home is in Fort Wayne....Mrs. Nancy Scott, who had been ill for some time, died last week and was buried in Springvale cemetery last Sunday. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. O. Maxwell, of the Second Baptist church....Miss Zenola Brooks is improving nicely....Mr. Walter Thomas, of this city, was in the capital last week on business. He spent a pleasant time there. He resides at 1626 North Thirteenth street. ....Mrs. Maggie Townsend is out again after a recent illness....Miss Minnie M. Toney, of Danville, Ill., is in the city for an indefinite stay....Mrs. Bohanna is ill at the present writing. We hope for her recovery....Mr. E. Cunningham and Miss Lola Bailey were quietly married last Sunday week, which was a surprise to all of their friends. The bride is a resident of this city and is a charming young lady. ....Mrs. Carrie Taylor went to aGry, Ind., on business for her lodbe. Others who attended were Mrs. Ora Smith, Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Jackson and Mr. Fred Evans.

FULTON, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The People's Forum will meet next Sunday afternoon with the members of the C. M. E. church, and the president, Prof. M. S. Richardson, will deliver the principal address from the subject, "Human Chameleons and Tree Frogs." This meeting should be largely attended by the people, as it is their opportunity to hear a good address and speak their sentiments against evils which menace the prosperity and development of our city and its future welfare....Prof. J. L. Northington is at present making elaborate preparations for the closing of Milton high school on May 19, when two of his pupils will graduate from the tenth grade—Miss Clara Smith and Miss Birdie Titsworth. The commencement sermon and exercises will be held at the C. M. E. church....Mrs. Goodrich, of Jackson, is spending a few days here the guest of Mrs. Sallie Adkins.... Mrs. Means and Mrs. Cowens, of Cairo, were here durinb the high waters, visiting Mrs. Ocie Cowens....Mrs. Anderson, of Memphis, has spent several days here the guest of Mrs. Lydia Waterfield and family....Mrs. Florence Cind is improving from a severe attack of la grippe, to the delight of her wide circle of friends.... Mrs. M. S. Richardson spent several days in Memphis the past week and reports a pleasant visit in the Bluff City....Our talented elocutionist, Mrs. J. E. Wyatt, is contemplating a heavy road engagement this summer, if she can respond to the many requests for her services in the different parts of the country....Dr. Taylor, of Mayfield, was here Saturday shaking hands with his many friends, and he spent the day with Dr. and Mrs. Sissions. ....The Willing Workers' Club met at the home of Mrs. Emma Thomas last Monday afternoon and was delightfully entertained by the charming hostess....Fulton Enterprise Lodge of Odd Fellows has just elected and installed the following officers for this quarter: W. E. McGehee, N. G.; R. Hardsell, V. G.; R. A. Howard, N. F.; H. Rose, P. N. F.; Col. Waters, P. N. G., and Moses Patten, E. S. These all bid fair to render efficient services in their stations....In closinb the revival meeting at the C. M. E. church last Sunday night, Rev. Dr. Terry preached his most powerful sermon since coming here. Scholarly, refined, eloquent and convincing to a high degree, he has left his imprint upon the minds of the people as a fearless advocate of the gospel of Christ. Forty-two precious souls were saved, and the whole town has felt the force of the fiery exhortations which he hurled against sin and wickedness. But, oh! how little some of our boasted big Christians showed themselves during the meeting. They stood aloof, sneering and deriding, like little people always do....Mr. Tom Jones has changed his run from Louisville to the Seminole, between Fulton and Columbus, Ga....Miss Mamie Hamilton has been real feeble for several days, but is somewhat improved at present....The Freeman is Fulton's most welcome newspaper visitor and is highly appreciated.

PENSACOLA (FLA.) NEWS.

(By Walter W. Thomas, of the Thomas & Colbert General News Agency, 427 West LaRua St., Phone 823.

Special to The Freeman.

A summer dancing school will be opened about June 2, by members of the Peerless orchestra. It is not known definitely at which hall the school will be conducted, but it will be under the direction of Walker W. Thomas and a few other society young men. Lessons will be given three times a week....A very interesting mass meeting was held at Williams' hall last Sunday, under the direction of the Young Men's Athletic Club. Plans were discussed by the president, Walker W. Thomas, by which the club was transformed into a young men's athletic association. An executive committee was appointed by the president to hold office until the general election April 20, 1913, the committee being Messrs. Horace D. Goode, chairman; Wilbur Sheppard, Andrew W. Preer. Their headquarters will be at the Thomas and Colbert news agency, 427 West LaRua street. The different offices which will be open for candidates are president, vice president, secretary, assistant secretary, corresponding secretary, sergeant-at-arms and secretary to the treasurer, which will be the First National Bank of this city....The debut party which will be given by members of the Peerles sorchestra will be held on April 25. Cards will be issued this week. This will be another big social event in the local social circle and elaborate plans are being prepared by the members, who are Fred Preer, LeRoy Quigley, Alfonso Barris, William Follower, and Walker W. Thomas, manager......The council chamber of the Young Men's Athletic association will be honored with the most promising young men of Pensacola, and their names will appear in next week's issue, when we will have a full report of the results of the election....A surprise party was given in honor of Miss Evelyn Wyman at Williams' hall last Friday night by her large circle of friends. An enjoyable evening was spent by all, who were present....Mr. Charles Bradley, one of Pensacola's leading men, died last week at his home on North C street. His death was a shock to the whole community....Don't forget to report all your news to the Thomas and Colbert general news agency, 427 West LaRue street, phone 823.

BOONVILLE (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Maany persons were present at the Baptist church last Friday evening to witness the highly entertaining literary program and to partake of the dainty three-course luncheon given under the auspices of the People's Bible Class. Classical readings by Prof. C. H. Morpin, Mrs. Wm. Green and Miss Hattie Loving; duet by the Roberts Sisters, solo by Miss Naomi Hunter, instrumental music by Messrs. Clifford E. Simmons, Horace Gee, Marion Brown and John Griffith. These were special features of the program, which was given under the direction of Professor Morpin. Every one was pleased with the affair....Mrs. Mirianda Ford died last week at Harts Crossing. Her remains were interred at Maple cemetery. Mrs. Ford lived with her son, Charles Ford, and at her death was 101 years old....Rev. Lucas, of Evansville, preached at the Baptist church last Monday evening....Rev. S. H. Pruit, pastor of Mt. Liberty Baptist church, will leave Monday for Henderson, Ky., to be the guest of Rev. A. F. Fox, D. D., pastor of Harris chapel Baptist church.... Clifford Simmons is organizing a basket ball team. He will meet the Southern Indiana Athletic Association team with his players at Richmond, Ind., next month. ....Clifford Simmons has recently accepted a position as agent for the Chicago Tallorinb Company. He is a coming young man of this city....The sixth annual union picnic will take place at Cypress Beach on June 2....Mrs. Ernest E. Valentine is convalescing....Capelle Nole, Freeman agent, is on the sick list...... Phillip Green has moved his pool room to the Barker building, four doors north of the public square. He will run a soda fountain in connection with his pool tables. ....Rev. F. T. Ferguson, who was assigned to the M. E. church of this city by the conference, has failed to arrive. Rev. John Wagner will fill the vacancy until the arrival of the district superintendent.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

(By George Slaughter.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Wm. Fields, proprietor of Fields' hotel, 726 West Walnut street, died very suddenly at Montgomery, Ala., after fourteen years' service with the L. & N. dining car service as porter in charge. The superintendent, McEvan states that his record with the L. & N. was spotless. Mr. Field was sixty years old and leaves a widow and two sisters and an adopted son. The colored people of Louisville deeply regret his death. He was a devoted husband and a good citizen.

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The following is the program of the latest and most classic song recital, given under the auspices of Misses Georgia A. Lattimore, Pearl A. White, Sadie Evans and Mrs. Nora K. Bell, by Mr. Roland W. Hayes, of Boston, Mass. The asembly hall of the colored Y. M. C. A. was crowded with Louisville's most appreciative and musical lovers. Mr. Hayes, who is a student of Prof. A. J. Hubbard, of Boston, was at his best, and displayed wonderful talent as a tenor soloist. He is classed among the best artists of the day, possessing a voice full of sweetness, beautiful tone quality, expression and volume. So great was his sincerity, his almost super-intensity, his inspirational flashes that broke forth from his soul, that he almost magnetized his audience during the entire performance. He was accompanied by Mrs. Nora K. Bell. The proceeds were for the benefit of The Church of Our Merciful Saviour. The program follows:

I.

Invocation.

a. "The Beat of a Passionate Heart" .... Phillips
b. "The Sweetest Flower" .... Batten
c. "Hymn of the Night" .... Tipton

II.

a. "Two Roses" .... Gilbert
b. "For You Alone" .... Geehl
c. "A Spirit Flower" .... Tipton

III.

"Che Gelida Monina" .... From Opera La Boheme .... Puccini
"On-Away Awake, Beloved..S. C. Taylor From Hiawatha.

Benediction.

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The Louisville Cubs will open the season Sunday with the Betchertown White Sox. They have gone to an enormous expense to repair their park and the grounds are in a first class condition. They will have abrass band to play as the players march across the field. Ladies will be free, would like to hear from all first class clubs that want dates. Ed Lancaster, manager, whom all the managers know, is going to have a good team nd it wil tke good club to bet his lineup this season. All teams and games will be played at 28th and Garland.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Buckeye Lodge of Elks will give a social in their rest rooms Monday evening for the benefit of the flood sufferers.... Mrs. Gertrude Brown left last week for Buffalo to join her husband who has a position in a hotel, and they will locate there....Miss Bessie Stanton has opened a home restaurant at 245 East Front St. and will be glad to see old friends....Mr. John Jackson, who has been in the city for the past six months, returned to his home in Vandergrift, Pa....Mrs. Jessie Coleman was the guest of relatives in Mercer, Pa., last week....Archie Thomas is able to be around again....Mr. and Mrs. C. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Brocks, Mr. and Mrs. William Banks and Mrs. Anna Knox, of Sharon, Pa., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Coleman, of South Watt St. Saturday....Logan Lodge No. 4, K. of P., will hold their anniversary in Excelsior parlors Thursday evening, May 29....Louisiv Edwards, court of Calantha, will bive a chicken supper in their hall Wednesday evening, April 23....Charles Mosley, of Warren, is the guest of friends in Louisville, Ky., for a few weeks....Rev. Gillmore, pastor of Oak Hill Ave. A. M. S. church, will lecture at the St. Augustine Episcopal Mission, Parmlee Ave., Monday evening, April 21st, 7:30 p. m.; all are invited.... Foster Collins, who has been very ill is improving and will be able to be out soon ....Miss Anna Freeman, of South Walnut St., was the guest of her sister in Virginia last month....Mrs. Thomas Lonesome entertained the Oak Hill Ave. A. M. E. Sewing Circle at her home, Edward St., Thursday afternoon.

IRONDALE, OHIO.

(By Peck Pennington.)

The weather is fine here, and no one is on the sick list....We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors during the bereavement over the illness and death of our son. Signed, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bennett....Jesse Wright, the champion checker player of this city, would like to meet the best. He is not a frog, but likes to jump....Mr. Alex. C. Ray, Charles Wright, Ernest Pennington were out of the city last week on a fishing trip. Ernest fell in the pond and they had to "catch" him....Lucile Ray is improving at present....Mrs. Jennie Adams, of Louisville, Ky., is in the city and will remain for the summer....Mrs. Ethel Wright gave a birthday party on April 15 in honor of Mrs. Jennie Adams. ....Mr. Foster Robertson and family will leave for Columbus on April 26....Little Edward Bennett has the fond words spoken of him in lovinb remembrance: "His youth was innocent and his riper age marked with some good act every day. Watched by eyes that loved him; by death he went to share the holy rest that aawits a life well spent."....Peck found one of his old stage pals by reading the Freeman. Get the Freeman and find your lost friends; also keep in touch with what the race is doing everywhere. ....I am too young to lie; before I would lie, I would die. Cleaning and pressing done for you at Peck's cleaning, pressing and shining parlor.

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PRESIDENT WILSON GROWING IN CONFIDENCE OF PEOPLE

THE AIR IS FILLED WITH RUMORS!

Some Papers Declare that the Negro is to be Ignored Politically—No One Can Tell What Official Plums the President may Dish Out to the Race.

Special to THE FREEMAN:
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It is but the simple truth to say that President Wilson is steadily growing in the confidence and affections of the real people of the nation. He has given evidence of a poise and dignity that indicates that he is his own man, that he is a thinker on his feet, and that he posesses the independence of thought and action to do what he conceives to be right, regardless of the narrow minded elements of any party in the country.

All of this gives the Negro hope, for no class of people in the land feel more keenly the need of a brave pilot at the helm of state at this time. The Negro question embraces many delicate phases—so different from the complications that surround any other problem—that it will require the truest of Americanism and the highest type of statesmanship to treat it along the line of justice and equity. Were it not believed that President Wilson and the group of broad-gauged bentlemen with whom he has surrounded himself in his cabinet, the outlook would be very dark indeed.

The air is full of rumors. The papers regale their readers every day with sensational stories of what Mr. Wilson is going to do about the Negroes who desire office—mostly to the effect that they are to be ignored, or given only the places in the foreign service that no white man is likely to care for, such as minister or counsel to some government controlled by blacks—Haiti, Liberia, Tamatave, Sierra Leone, etc. We hear from many sources that Congress is goinb to pass all sorts of laws inimical to the well being of the colored people. Predictions are made that within a few months there are to be jim crow street cars in the District of Columbia, that the bill to preven the intermarriage of races will be put through, and that an anti-sufffrage wave will be given a stronger impulse by reason of the attitude of Congress in opposition to the advancement of the Negro. These rumors, coming almost without exception from sources which hope to see the Wilson administration smashed upon the rocks of dissension and risaster, give color to the belief that the wish is the father to the thought. The truth of the matter is that no one knows anything about what the administration is going to do on the race question. Beyond promisinb justice to all classes of people in a general way, Mr. Wilson has said nothing to indicate what his policy is to be. He has not taken into his confidence any of these bumptious newspapers that talk so glibly of his purposes, and above all, he has not given any of the superserviceable correspondents the slightest intimation as to what he has in his mind. It is doubtful if he has told anybody anything. Probably he has not yet reached the question at all in any definite way. Therefore, it will be well for the country to pay no attention to the direful rumors or predictions that appear daily in the sensational sheets of both races, which feel that they are not giving the people their meney's worth unless they serve up "something hot," regardless of the "pure food and drugs act" in its relation to truth.

Let the Truth Be Told.

And let it be said right here, that we hold no brief for the democratic party, nor for the Wilson administration, but we do insist upon fair play and consider it the duty of every reputable writer for the press to give the facts honestly and impartially. Let the plain truth be told. As citizens of the nation all of us should be anxious to see success come to those in authority, regardless of party lines, for upon the success of the administration depends the well beinb of the people at large. The Negro, poor and without race representatives in Congress or Cabinet, is especially susceptible to the consequences that will grow out of the failure of the national administration. We are the first to feel the effects of hard times and the last to recover from them when better things finally come around.

No one can tell just what official plums Mr. Wilson will dish out to the colored brother. The democratic party may take the view that it wishes to invest in futurities—that it wishes to make a bid for Negro support in 1914 and 1916—and may name colored democrats for the places now held by Negro republicans, regarding such action as a political investment, rather than a payment of a debt owing in the premises. Again, seeing no particular opposition to Negroes in certain offices, it may set them aside for its colored contingent as a reserve for an element it wishes to reward from time to time for helpful service. The more probable solution of the matter will be that the President wil ltake counsel with his own conscience, and aided by the advice of his Cabinet and the members of Conbress, will settle each individual case upon its particular merits—or lack of merit. The colored brother who has with him his senator or representative of his district, and who is backed also by the member of the Democratic National Committee in charge of the affairs of his state, has a bigger chance to "land" than those who look to sentimental reasons for recognition. Yet, in many instances, this rule is not infallible. Mr. Wilson has a way of finding jewels that others have overlooked, and in some distant corner, there may be a set of "dark horses," who may corral positions for which they have never been mentioned by the powers that usually run the "pie counter." We shall all have to wait and see. In the meantime, accept no "bad money" in the shape of "news" which is, at best, a wild guess in the air. Nobody knows.

It may be said in passing that there is little danger of a jim crow street car law here. The traction lines do not want it. The rich people have their automobiles, carriages, etc., and are not bothered about the problem. The poor whites who use the lines have no political or social influence, and cannot control the situation. The Negroes are heavy patrons, and the companies would be put to extra expense in providing separate accommodations for them, besides a lot of trouble in telling the whites from mulattoes. So it is evident that all that will come of the abitation is talk. The anti-miscegenation bill will never become a law. If it should again pass the house, and is not throttled in the senate, it will be vetoed at the White House. Other bills of a like character will suffer the same fate, after much talk and much bitterness of spirit on the part of the radicals of all the races affected. This is a "business administration," and the folks who expect to regulate social conditions by legislation, rather than by natural selection, are in for a season of disappointment. So there!

Candidates Still Hopeful.

Several of the active candidates for political recognition at the hands of the administration are still here, and are as full of hope as an egg is of meat, despite the "kindly interest" of their republican friends, who would be delighted to have them all "fall down." They have their own money to spend, and seem to have enough to "get by" on, without borrowing any from these same "interested friends," who are sending out letters to the country, describing their "pitiable condition." The men who have come here as aspirants for office are an unusually bright set of men, and if appointed, will compare very favorably with the so called "Black Cabinet" that they may supersede.

Mr. James A. Ross, editor of the Detroit Informer and the Buffalo Gazetter and Guide, is confident of landing the recordership of deeds, and has the best of backing. Durinb the recent campaign he was in charge of the western branch of the Negro Democratic Bureau, and did some highly effective work among the colored voters in the debatable states of the Middle West. Since the resignation of Fred R. Moore, the leading candidate for the Liberian mission is Counsellor J. Frank Wheaton, of New York City. Mr. Wheaton is a born diplomat, a trained lawyer, and has made an especial study of the question now uppermost in the Liberian situation. The appointment of both Ross and Wheaton would be eminently satisfactory to the Negro democratic organization and to the rank and file of the colored citizens who supported Mr. Wilson. For Haiti, Mr. N. B. Marshall seems to have a long lead, with Rufus L. Perry and James D. Carr, of New York, somewhere in the line. There are scattering candidates all over the country, including Dr. J. B. Oliver, of Indiana, and a few others. Dr. W. E. B. DuBois is mentioned; likewise, former Minister W. F. Powell.

Dr. Peter J. Smith is said to be slated for Assistant Register of the Treasury, and it is given out that, if a change is to be made in the office of Rebister, Dr. George C. Clement, editor of the Star of Zion, Charlotte, N. C., is the most likely man for the place. Mr. A. E. Patterson, of Oklahoma, is strongly "in the running," and is said to have the earnest support of Senator Gore.

It is again vigorously denied that Bishop Walters is a candidate for any office within the gift of the administration. He is not "considering" either the Liberian or the Haitian mission, and such reports are being sent out for the sole purpose of confusing his followers and complicating the political troubles of the colored democracy.

President Wilson is approaching the subject cautiously and slowly. He will take his time and decide the questions as he reaches them. Those who indulge in phophesy without knowledge simply waste time and energy.

Curbstone Gossip.

Former Register W. T. Vernon was in the city Sunday and preached at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church. He is now president of Campbell College, Jackson, Miss.

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The financial board of the A. M. E. church is meetinb this week at the headquarters. Prof. J. R. Hawkins is financial secretary and has made a fine record for the year.

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Bishop Walters spoke for the True Reformers in Richmond Monday night. Later in the week he addressed the local branch of the National Negro Business League.

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The Paul Lawrence Dunbar Club, Robert T. Murray, manager and steward, is negotiating for the commodious property at the northeast corner of 14th and T streets.

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Gen. Robert Smalls, for many years collector of customs at Beaufort, S. C., goes out, and is to be succeeded by Franklin P. Colcock, a white democrat.

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The appointment of Mr. Walter H. Page as ambassador to Great Britain, gives unlimited satisfaction to the colored people of the land. Mr. Page is a staunch friend of Negro education, and has given substantial evidence of his interest by active labors for all of the forward movements inaugurated for the colored race. The publishing house of Doubleday, Page & Co., has given out many of the best books published for and about the uplift of the Nebroes of this country. In Mr. Page, the American Negro is sure to have a friend at the Court of St. James.

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Auditor Ralph W. Tyler has gone to his home in Columbus, Ohio. There is said to be nothing in the rumor that he is to join hands with W. Calvin Chase in the direction of the Washington Bee.

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Former Assistant Attorney-General W. H. Lewis has resumed the practice of law in Boston.

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There is no movement for the displacement of Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia.

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Lawyer R. R. Horner denies the report that he is a candidate for Recorder of Deeds.

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The New Era is to be revived, with J. H. W. Howard as editor.

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Former Senator John B. Henderson, who wrote and introduced in Congress the 13th amendment, is dead at the advanced age of eighty-seven years. As Senator from Missouri and as a man of affairs here, Mr. Henderson has always evinced the deepest interest in the welfare of the colored people of the entire country.

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Many Washingtonians will attend the Tuskegee Institute commencement, beginning May 25th. Editor R. E. Jones, of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, will deliver the principal address.

Mr. H. Ernest Cuney, is in the city. He was an active factor in the campaign last fall in New York City, supporting Woodrow Wilson for President. He is one of the best informed men in the country on political matters, and is personally acquainted with every public man of consequence in and out of Congress.

TULSA, OKLA.

Mr. John Reilly and Mr. W. M. Cherry are on the sick list this week....Mrs. F. McGlothen has opened a nice rooming house at 524 North Erie street, which is a neat, clean place....Rev. W. M. Craig, of Arkansas, visited the Second Baptist church Sunday....Rev. F. K. White will leave Monday for Fort Smith, Ark., to conduct a series of religious meetings.... Mount Zion Baptist church has requested Rev. White to give all his time after May 1 to that congregation....Mrs. J. E. Grant returned from her visit in Fort Worth and Dallas, also with relatives in Fort Smith, Ark....The Freeman can be found at the East End drug store every Saturday.

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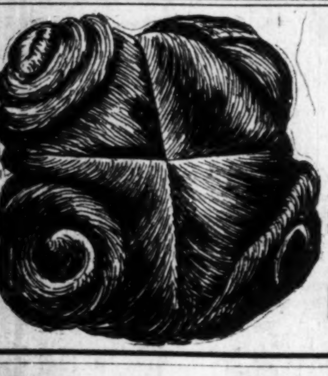

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Former Registrar W. T. Vernon is getting into the oratorical harness again.

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No serum has yet been discovered that will eradicate the office-seeking germ.

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Happily, the nation has passed that a woman must be idle in order to be a lady.

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The National Association of Colored Women is said to disapprove of ragtime music.

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Bishop Thirkield has been do ng a wonderful work for the uplift of the race in Texas.

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Woodrow Wilson is giving daily demonstrations of the fact that he is President of the United States.

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The Wilson administration in its speedy relief of the flood situation, gave evidence that it is onto its job.

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The Mosaic Templars, with headquarters at Little Rock, Ark., are to begin work on their new temple next month.

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Grand Master William Alexander is giving the Mosaic Templars a fine administration. He is the right man in the right place.

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Booker T. Washington has won the Golden West by the power of truth and by the display of the achievements of work.

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You can never tell what is in a man until he is tested by responsibilities. Let him try his hand at something big early in the game.

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Oklahoma wants to name the next registrar of the treasury. So does North Carolina and a number of other great commonwealths.

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Los Angeles has eight colored men on her police force, and all are rendering efficient service. They are solving the race problem in a practical fashion.

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The National Negro Press Association holdouts have gracefully come into camp. The convention next August at Cape May and Philadelphia will be a corker.

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Cole Blease, the vitrolic governor of South Carolina, is—but what's the use? Polite journalistic language won't begin to tell accurately just what he is.

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Civil service examinations should be fair tests of knowledge that is useful and which bear some relation to the work one is expected to do in the postion sought.

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A wise employer never gossips to outsiders about the people who work for him.

Dr. Booker T. Washington was the guest of overnor West during the day he spent at Portland, Ore.

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False leadership is in hard lines.

Our newspapers should be "leary" of correspondents who write to fit their prejudices instead of handling cold facts in a fair-minded way.

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How many of you can give correctly the names, states and positions of the men who constitute President Wilson's cabinet? This is something everybody should know, as a matter of course.

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With Bishop Salter dead, Bishop Derrick in poor health and Bishop Turner resigned, the A. M. E. church is likely to have a lively time in 1916 filling the places that promise to be vacant. A multitude of "Barkises" are "willin'," however.

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Some folks who make the biggest fuss about states' rights when the Negro is the issue are the first to call for federal help when disasters by flood and flame overtake them. It is well to be consistent, no matter what the issue may be.

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Intermarriage is a personal question. If law is to step in, the matter is rightfully the property of the state and not the nation. Congress has nothing to do with marriage or divorce, save in the District of Columbia and the territories.

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The fear is expressed that the Negroes of the South may win a few postmasterships if the merit test is applied impartially. Why not allow the best man to win, regardless of color, creed or politics What the people want is good service.

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The Tuskegee moving pictures should be seen by every white man and by every black man in the country. They are object lessons in the dignity of labor and are an unanswerable argument that is in favor of education that hits the mark.

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That legislator out in Ohio who is trying to regulate the dress of women is barking up the wrong tree. Women, regardless of the objections of the straight-laced, will continue to wear what they "darned please," and mere man will have to stand for it. There!

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The man who wants an office stands just as good a chance by remaining at home as by going to Washington and wasting his time and money. If your political record as presented by your senator, representative or chosen leader can't "land" you, you cannot be landed.

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The largest audience that ever gathered in the auditorium of the University of Washington greeted Dr. Booker T. Waashington when he spoke there a few days ago. This building was formerly used for exposition purposes and is filled only on occasions of the most extraordinary character.

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The prompt relief extended the sufferers by flood, fire and tornado indicates in a most striking manner that the "milk of human kindness" is still flowing freely in the human breast. Disasters are deplorable, but their ravages are minimized by the sublime realization of the brotherhood of man.

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The people of the country are reading with increasing interest the news feature known as "With the Fourth Estate." Information about the men and women of the press will bring into closer relation and sympathy such natural kinfolks as the public and the scribes who tell about its activities.

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The annual session of the Alabama State Negro Business League was held at Birmingham April 2 and 3. The league in Alabama consists of local chartered leagues, representatives from corporations, fraternal and other organizations, and seeks to encourage all agencies engaged in educational, industrial and financial enterprises.

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Houston, Texas, comes forward with a colored Commercial Club. In sixty days its membership increased from twenty-five to over a hundred. As a stimulant to the membership, a gold medal has been offered to the person bringing in the highest number of applicants between now and the next regular monthly meeting. This is the way to push the business welfare of the race along.

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One statistician has come out with a moluminous report showing a total of 125,000 idiots in the United States. This limited number probably did not include the variety that knows just exactly what Wilson is going to do about the colored brother's case and who dilate long and loudly on how a colored newspaper should be run in order to make the editor a millionaire in short order.

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Dallas, Texas, has organized a new secret order called the olden Chain of Friendship of the World. Its chief function will be to afford some very active and resourceful gentlemen a chance to earn a good living fro mthe earnings of the gullible toilers at the washtub and in the trenches of the Lone Star State. Seriously, hasn't the Negro race about as many secret orders as it can properly digest at present?

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A Texas editor, in welcoming the State Press Association to San Antonio, tells in eloquent meter, about the wonderful water supply there, and proudly records the fact that the city council has just passed an ordinance materially reducing the cost to the consumer. The coming convention will doubtless be a hilarious affair—with Texas water as a "chaser"—for things Texas newspaper men know so well where to find.

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At Seattle, Wash., Dr. Booker T. Washington was given a royal welcome by the four hundred Japanese residents. After addressing the audience, which included the Japanese imperial counsel and the most influential Japanese in the city, the "Wizard" was endorsed most heartily, and it was decided by the Japanese colony to present a scholarship to Tuskegee Institute. The unusual incident aroused much comment among all classes of people in Seattle at the time.

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The Friedmann "cure" for tuberculosis is of the deepest interest to the colored people, as so many of them for one reason and another, are suspectible to the white plague's ravages. If the serum proves to be a success it bids fair to revolutionize existing methods of dealing with the dread disease. The progress of the investigation of the Friedmann experiments are being watched with the greatest anxiety by our people, and the hope is general that they may be all the distinguished physician has to claim for them.

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No one can become a member of the National Negro Banking and Industrial Association of Chicago unless he can show a bank account. The bank book is the password to all business meetings. H. C. Fox is president and R. W. Maxwell is secretary of the new organization. The association is clearl ywithin its rights and in accord with good business sense when it thus places a premium on thrift and a discount on wind. We have too many talkers and not enough doers in our various organizations at present.

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Word comes that the Senate of Colorado has defeated the bill which proposed the enactment of a constitutional amendment providing for separate schools for colored and white people. The Omaha Enterprise regards this victory for righteousness like the jim crow car bill in Missouri, as a tribute to the good sense which the Democratic majority is showing under their present lease of power. Jim crow is getting a killing in nearly all of the states which have attempted to tamper with the natural distribution of society. The people can be trusted to get along with one another according to their individual likes and dislikes, which, after all, is the logical pathway toward true democracy.

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The Topeka Plaindealer finds much satisfaction in reviewing the photo play, "From the Manger to the Cross," in which "Simon, the Cyrenian," is pictured as coming forth to help Christ bear the cross up the mountain to the crucifixion, an act of silent sympathy, although he could do nothing to prevent the tragedy decreed by the mob. Again, when the Savior was born in the cruel land of Herod, the King and angel appeared to Joseph and Mary, His mother, and had them go direct to Egypt; they were sheltered on their journey by the pyhamids that were built by the hands of black people. The Plaindealer, expressing the wish that the mobwrathers of the South should see these reproductions of their own hellishness, as visited upon poor Negroes, adds that "the Negro was Christ's friend from His birth to His death, and therefore has a rightful claim upon the mercies of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." Editor Chiles is "proud that the Negro had no part in the crucifying and outraging of Christ."

"HISTORY IN THE MAKING."

STORY OF MARVELOUS PROGRESS OF THE NEGRO RACE TOLD IN THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 10.—"The report of the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the National Negro Business League" has made its appearance. It is a neatly-bound and most creditably gotten-up volume of 210 pages, abounding in facts and figures of permanent value to every class of people and mirroring in a lifelike manner the doing and sayings of the hundreds of earnest and practical-minded men and women who made up this unique gathering. The report, aside from its many other attractive features, is an admirable sample of the work turned out by the A. M. E. Sunday School Union at Nashville, Tenn.

The meeting here reported was held in Chicago, Ill., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, August 21, 22 and 23, 1912, and it is rated, all things considered, the very best convention yet held by the National Negro Business League, aptly described by Compiler S. Laing Williams as "the rallying-ground for a greater variety of interests than any other organization of Negro people in the United States."

To cover adequately, in a limited space, the three days' proceedings of a body of more than five hundred "live" commercial and professional individuals, each eager to have a "word" is no easy undertaking. Yet, in a "nutshell," Official Stenographer W. H. Davis, aided and abetted by Compiler S. Laing Williams, with Corresponding Secretary Emmett J. Scott, as copy editor, has cleverly culled from the great mass of precious matter the finest of the gems of thought presented, and the result is one of the most comprehensive and satisfying reports that has been put out by the league since its formation by Dr. Booker T. Washington in 1900. The most salient points have been preserved in print, and the scarcely less interesting details can be very clearly read "between the lines."

History in the Making.

Standing out in bold relief in the text of the report is the annual address of the president of the league, Dr. Booker T. Washington. In this deliverance, which is very properly given in full, the eminent philosopher and pioneer of industrial education, sounded a high note of optimism for the Negro race, and by striking illustrations and unanswerable arguments, convinced his hearers that the race is moving forward at a phenomenal pace and that through intelligent and persistent labor, adapted to the needs of whatever situation the Negro finds himself, our people will eventually reach a field, ruled by freedom and fairness, with a chance for unfettered and unlimited growth. The anaylsis of our resources, developed and undeveloped; the exhibit of our material possessions after fifty years of opportunity; the outlook for the future, fraught with untold possibilities, and the emphasis of the importance of specilization and organization for the promotion of our welfare in every avenue of activity—all combined to make the address a notable contribution to the literature of the times on the economic aspect of the race problem. It was history in the making.

Deserved prominence is given the broad-gauged address of Mr. Julius Rosenwald, the millionaire merchant of Chicago, whose benevolences in behalf of the Negro's moral and intellectual uplift have made his name beloved in every household in the land. His talk was just what an organization of struggling business men and women needed. It urged good service as the primary virtue in commerce and the affairs of life, and gave it out as a leaf from his own experience that race, color and creeds disappear when an honest dollar's worth of service is rendered for every dollar received. His reasons for giving liberally to the Y. M. C. A. cause, his impression of Tuskegee Institute and its influence upon the Negro people everywhere, the relation of determination to the success of any entreprise, and character as a fundamental ingredient in race building, were recited in a genial spirit, and the ovation, with miniature flags and tumultuous cheers, given him at the close was the one dramatic episode of the week of intensely practical discussion. The publication of these two enlightening deliverances would amply justify the sending out of the volume, if all else were eliminated.

"Progress Writ in Every Line.

In the other addresses selected for general circulation, "progress is written in every line. Stories of human interest they are. Humble beginnings, hard struggles against seemingly insurmountable odds, the encouragement of steady gains, the glory of triumphant achievement, the lessons taught the timid by the successes of the daring—all these are embodied in the set speeches, and to an even more impressive degree in the running debates between the delegates and in the oftimes serio-comic "quizzes" indulged in by the Tuskegee "Wizard." In the stenographic study of the daily sessions there is, in abundant quantity, flashes of rich humor, bits of pathos, and some broad comedy, mingled with suggestions of tragedy and much seriousness of purpose.

A few of the prepared summaries of business experience, picked out at random from many more that are equally noteworthy, are: "Accomplishments as a Real Estate Daeler," Watt Terry, Brockton, Mass., and Lawrence H. Ferrobee, Chicago; "Manufacturing Hair Preparations," Dr. Julia P. H. Coleman, Washington, D. C., and Mme. C. J. Walker, Indianapolis, Ind.; "Developing Industrial Insurance," J. H. Phillips, Montgomery, Ala., and A. L. Lewis, Jacksonville, Fla.; "Ten Years in the Regalia Business, Joseph L. Jones, Cincinnati, O.; "Ten Years as a Baker," W. A. Wallace, Chicago; "Engineering on a Large Scale," J. Alexander Mackenzie, Jamaica, general engineer for United Fruit Company; "White oods Manufacturing," H. L. Sanders, Indianapolis, Ind.; "Sixteen Years' Experience as a Publisher," J. L. Thompson, Des Moines, Ia.; "Building Up a Publishing House," Dr. R. H. Boyd, Nashville, Tenn.; "Opportunities for Negro Business Men in Liberia," Bishop I. B. Scott; "Making Printing Pay," Major R. R. Jackson, Chicago; "Banking," Rev. E. M. Griggs, Palestine, Tex.; R. L. Smith, Paris, Tex.; W. W. Hadnott, E. C. Tidrington, Indianapolis, Ind., and Rev. W. R. Pettiford, Birmingham, Ala.; (in connection with special series on "Banks and Banking"); "Building Contracting," S. E. Wiggins, Little Rock,k Ark.; "Managing a Motor Machine Shop," A. J. Offord, Chicago; "Cigar Manufacturing," J. Andrew Williams, Tampa, Fla.; "Farming and Stock Raiasing," W. V. Smith, Larned, Kans.; "Success in Farm Management," J. F. McIntyre, Louisiana, and David Nelson, Arkansas, and "General MeMrchandising," D. N. Leathers, Corpus Christi, Tex. The report of Dr. E. C. Morris, representing the National Negro Press Association; Mrs. Daisy M. Saffell, of the National Funeral Directors' Association, and Attorney J. T. Settle, of th eNational Negro Bar Association, are given an appropriate setting. The preliminary addresses by Dr. George C. Hall, S. Laing Williams, Harry T. Pratt and Rev. Preston W. Taylor are models of felicitous expression.

Miscellaneous Features.

Miscellaneous features which add greatly to the interest of the booklet are: The report of the treasurer, showing (up to the Chicago meeting) a permanent fund of $3,475.44, a general fund of $835.63, total, $4,311.07; report of committee on resolutions, with names of all of the other committees of the session; list of officers of the affiliated organizations; full list of chartered leagues and the enrollment of members by states; list of life members, showing a total of 192 persons paying $25 each; and the report of the corresponding secretary, Emmett J. Scott, which is a masterly reflex of the diversified activities of the great organization.

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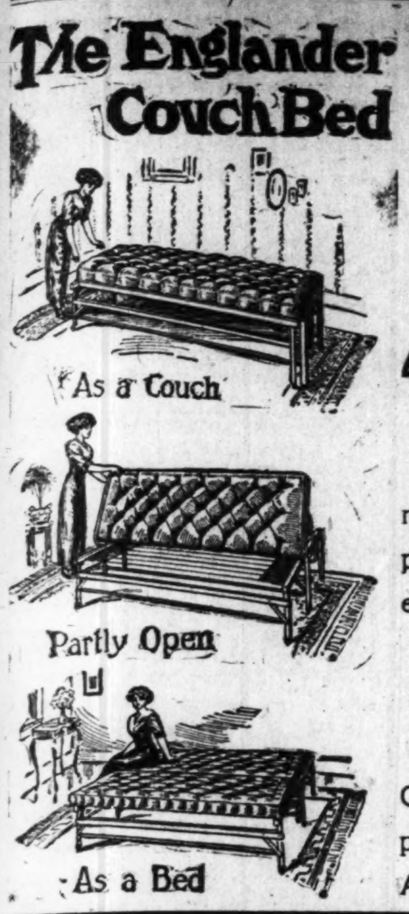

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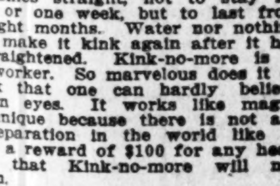

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Remarkable Progress of the National Negro Press Association.

Caucasian publications are gradually learning that the word "Negro" should be spelled with a capital N. The Outlook and the Century have fallen in line with this advanced view, and other high-class magazines and newspapers are quietly following suit. Our race papers must continue to hammer away on this issue and back up their editorials with personal interviews with the publishers themselves. Much good can be accomplished by missionary work in a diplomatic manner.

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B. J. Davis, editor of the Atlanta Independent, has been in Cuba recuperating from a nervous breakdown, due to overwork. He has been writing some interesting stories of his experiences in the West Indies.

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The Union City News has been launched by N. W. Harllee at Union City, Texas, a colored town, owned and operated by colored people.

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A recent Sunday issue of the Chicago American carries an illustrated page article by Dr. Booker T. Washington, showing the progress of the Negro race in the past fifty years.

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The Zanesville (Ohio) Advocate, published by Kennedy & Needham, is four years old and is quite a lusty youngster.

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The officers of the National Negro Press Association are gratified over the enthusiasm displayed by the publishers of the papers represented on its rolls. Many of the leading journals are carrying at their editorial masthead the legend: "Member of the National Negro Press Association," just sent out by the efficient corresponding secretary, Henry Allen Boyd. The card is an exceptionally neat one and its constant appearance in such a conspicuous place bids fair to make the name of the N. N. P. A. a household word.

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Chris J. Perry, Fred R. Moore, T. Thomas Fortune, J. H. and Dan H. Murphy and Charles A. Cottrill are some of the newer members of the National Negro Press Association. They are veterans in the business and will add strength to the organization.

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Now 'tis said that Ralph W. Tyler may take the place of Fred R. Moore on the New York Age, in the event the latter is asked by President Wilson to continue as minister to Liberia. It is not known how long Mr. Tyler will remain auditor for the navy department, and any business arrangement entered into at this time is bound to be tentative only. Another rumor has it that Mr. Tyler will make his permanent home in Washington and assume the editorship of the Bee, with which he has been associated for the past two years as editorial and departmental contributor.

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Dr. R. A. Williams has started the Royal Messenger at Helena, Ark., as the official organ of the Supreme Royal Circle of Friends of the World, of which he is supreme president.

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James W. Poe, the new editor of the Reformer (Richmond, Va.), has made a number of notable improvements in the makeup of that paper, and it is reaping excellent results in the work of rehabilitating the Order of True Reformers, in whose interest it is published. Maurice Rouselle is the associate editor.

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"Is the Negro Having a Fair Chance?" Booker T. Washington's memorable article in the November Century Magazine has been reprinted in neat pamphlet form and is having a circulation among the elements that will most profit by reading it. The booklet can be had by addressing a request to Tuskegee Institute, with the nominal sum of 10 cents to cover cost of mailing, etc. The article is one that should be studied with care by every American, white or black.

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L. N. Porter, a grand auditor of the G. U. O. of O. F., is president of a company issuing the Arkansas Banner, a weekly paper, at Little Rock, Ark.

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Publishers should send the data asked for by Henry Allen Boyd for the Newspaper Directory. It will pay every race paper to be "in" on this comprehensive publication. It will be to the Negro press what George P. Rowell's indispensable guide is to the white press.

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An illuminating discussion of the relation of the press to the people took place a few evenings ago at the St. James' Presbyterian Church in New York City, under the auspices of the New York Historical and Literary Society. Well-known editors and correspondents of the metropolis were present and told what the Negro press has done for the general advancement of the race, and described many phases of journalism with which no one outside of the business would be likely to know about. Among the speakers were N. B. Dodson, editor of the Afro-American page of the American Press Association; J. H. Anderson, editor of the Amsterdam News; Lester A. Walton, managing and dramatic editor of the New York Age; Cleveland G. Allen, the widely-known correspondent, and Albion W. Holsey, of the Crisis, an authority on advertising problems. A banquet was tendered the newspapermen after the exercises. Monthly discussions of the press and its mission were arranged for. Newspapers and what they stand for would be better understood by the general public and a stronger support would be given them if such meeting as these should be held frequently all over the country.

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Cary B. Lewis, Chicago's live-wire newspaper genius, is delivering addresses in various cities on "The Literary Lights of the Negro Race," and other timely topics. He is drawing large audiences and pleasing them at every place visited. Milwaukee, Elkhart and Gary, Ind.; South Bend, and Aurora, Ill., are some of the cities included in his itinerary. Mr. Lewis conducts the Freeman bureau in Chicago and is putting in some time also for the Anderson-Watkins Film Company, which is about to send to all the states moving pictures of "A Day at Tuskegee Institute." Mr. Lewis is mentioned in connection with a "fat" assignment in the federal service at Washington, in recognition of his valuable labors as publicity agent for the Democrats last fall.

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The Fraternal Press in Chicago, of which Major R. R. Jackson is president, now does printing for the Chinese. The office has an outfit of Chinese type and the printer who sets it up is an expert Chinaman. Bills, tickets, dodgers and everything the Chinese need in the printing line is furnished by Major Jackson's establishment. Isn't that "going some?"

MUSKOGEE, OKLA.

Dr. Alexander Jackson, of Dallas, Texas, delivered some wholesome doctrine during his recent visit to this city. He spoke on various subjects, and it is hoped that much good will result from his labor....Major Chas. Stewart, the veteran newspaper man, and one of the few Negroes who has the honor of being an Associated Press representative, was a welcome visitor in Muskogee last week....The famous Pastime theater is still doing a good business. Appearing at this popular playhouse is Jesse Brown, the famous actor, who is winning much praise for his excellent work....The wedding of Mr. Julius Adams and Miss Lena Escoe, which was to have taken place on March 12, has been postponed to a date in the near future. No exact date has been set, but the friends of the couple expect the affair to be consummated some time in the early summer....Mr. L. E. Ware, formerly of Waco, Texas, should be congratulated for his remarkable progress he has made in this state in the past two years. He is employed by the Excelsior Laundry Company, and is highly esteemed by his employers. He is treasurer of the U. B. of F. of this city, and also an active member of the Second Baptist church. He is a young man of intelligence and is very popular among the people....Mr. H. Pack has purchased the Economy drug store, which has been conducted by Mr. McSimmons for the past three or more years. The purchase price was $2,000. The business is no doubt one of the best in eastern Oklahoma and will be conducted along the most up-to-date lines, similar to the best white business houses of this kind....The friction between members of thee First Baptist church, which has been causing much comment, has finally been settled. Such things should not occur in a church membership, but as they often do, they should be settled and quickly as possible, for the mission of the church is one of olve and peace and not strife. Let us hope that the matter is forever settled and will be forgotten, and that peace will reign supreme....The twenty colored letter carriers here are still holding their positions, regardless of the rumors that have been circulated concerning what the new Democratic administration would do. This party has hald full sway in Oklahoma for the past four years, and every effort has been made to oust these colored gentlemen from their positions, but so far all efforts have been in vain....The entertainments given by the famous Bachelors' Club was well attended last Wednesday night....The Pastime theater has secured a first-class band from various parts of the country. and a free concert is given each evening in front of the theater. The music of the band is worth the price of admission to the theater.

PENSACOLA (FLA.) JOTTINGS.

(By Walker W. Thomas.)

A mass meeting will be called by the Young Men's Athletic Club Sunday, April 13, 1913, to be held at Williams hall on North DeViller street at 4 o'clock for the purpose of receiving members. Great plans will be discussed at this meeting for the purpose of reorganizing a Young Men's Athletic Association. An executive committee will be appointed to hold an election, to form a council chamber, of which there are seven offices opened to candidates. A registration book will be opened at the Thomas & Colbert General News Agency. All candidates will be requested to announce their candidacy for the different offices in the council chamber before April 20. The registration book for all voters will be opened on April 14 to 18. All who join this club on April 13 are only allowed to participate in the election of April 20. The different offices which will be opened for candidates will be as follows: President, vice-president, secretary, assistant secretary, corresponding secretary and treasurer, the latter to furnish a bond exceeding the amount of funds to be held in the treasury. There will also be a sergeant-at-arms chosen. The ballot boxes will be at the following places, with a clerk in charge: Pensacola drug store, the Triangle drug store on Alcaniz and LaRua street and Pheonix at DeViller and Laura streets....Ladies' formal social which was given at the K. of P. hall last Monday night added another to Pensacola's elaborate social affairs, at which the leading society people of the city were in attendance. The hall was beautifully decorated in bamboo vines, palms and tissue paper, which all made the hall a lovely scene. Punch was served to the guests by Mrs. A. M. oDuglas and Mrs. J. E. Shepherd. Music was furnished by the Collins orchestra which played some very fine selections until the early hours of the morning....Invitations have been sent out to the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Huff requesting their attendance at the marriage of their daughter, LeDresser, to Mr. Joseph Marsh on Wednesday evening, April 16, at their beautiful home in Morro Castle....Mr. Joseph Thomas has accepted a position as agent for the Union Mutual Aid Society. He has reported a good business for the colored enterprise, which is one of the largest life insurance companies in the state of Florida....Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Palmer entertained a large number of friends at their beautiful home on North A street, in commemoration of their sixth wedding anniversary. Dainty refreshments were served to the guests, who reported a delightful time....Miss Adelaide Thomas, of Indianapolis, Ind., who is in the city the guest of her father, Dr. St. Clair Thomas, is one of the most charming young ladies that has visited this city for some time. She has made quite a large number of friends while here and has been a prominent figure in many social events....Mr. Frank Sawyer is visiting friends in Jacksonville, Fla. He intends to make the Florida metropolis his future home. He will be missed by his many friends here....The members of the Beerless orchestra will entertain at a debute party some time this month. Watch for cards later....With the arrival of April we are witnessing the blossoming of the fruit trees....Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dorsey, of Cincinnati, Ohio, are in the city the guests of Mr. Dorsey's father and sisters. Mr. Dorsey was a former resident of Pensacola and his numerous friends are glad to see him again. ....A telegram was received from Louis Porter, who is living at Omaha, Neb., in which he stated that he is safe, but had lost many friends in the recent tornado which visited that place and killed many persons. His friends here are glad to learn that he is safe....There will be no colored baseball team to represent this city this season, owing to there being no ball park. We are sorry to learn of this. ....The Young Men's Athletic Club will entertain in May with a "May Queen" entertainment. This will be one of the grandest affairs to be given this season. It will be held at Morro Castle Garden. The queen will be a very beautiful young lady, whose name will be made known to the public later; also the date of the entertainment....Don't forget to report all of your news to the Thomas & Colbert General Newspaper Agency. As this place shoe shining is also done. Located at 427 West LaRua street. Phone 823.

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MEMBER NATIONAL NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION

Charles H. Stewart, who has been advertising solicitor for The Freeman, is no longer connected with this paper. Persons having further business with the publication through his solicitation will kindly transact same with the office or through a credited representative. ELWOOD C. KNOX, Manager of Freeman.

The legislature of Ohio was finally aroused to the fact that non-intermarriage laws had no rightful place among the laws of that commonwealth.

The State of Texas hopes to collect $100,000,000 in penalties from the Standard Oil Company. It evidently doesn't believe in doing business by halves.

Some say that the Republican candidate for mayor will be Charles A. Bookwalter. Well the most that can be said about Mr. Bookwalter is that he won the majority of his fights.

It is being said that the Haytian government expects a Negro to succeed Minister Furniss as the American representative to that country. More than likely the state department will consider it a pleasure to comply with the request.

A Southern educator has figured out that the Negro race in the United States will be extinct in two hundred and twenty years. He says that the last one of us will be dead. Of course, the professor's calculation cannot be successfully denied, not any more than it can be established as a truth.

Mrs. Pankhurst, the well known English suffragette leader, succeeded in starving herself out of jail. Everything good and appetizing was placed before her, but she absolutely refused to take anything but pure cold water. The authorities concluded that they did not care to have any martyrs for rallying cries, so they were glad enough to save her from her seeming determination.

It is being said that Bishop Walters has been offered the ministership to Liberia, Africa. It is reasonable to think that the bishop could get anything reasonable from the hands of the administration. It is not reasonable, however, to think that he will accept anything that might be offered him, since he can occupy none higher than the one he now holds.

New York offers two candidates for the Haytian ministership, James D. Carr and Rufus L. Perry. Both of the men are splendidly equipped as men of affairs. Mr. Carr is the assistant corporation counsel of New York. Mr. Perry has this fine testimony in his behalf:

"Counselor Perry, recognized as one of the ablest and most successful criminal lawyers, white or black, at the Kings County bar, and for many years leader of Kings County's colored democracy, will easily and handsomely qualify. New York knows and is proud of each of its distinguished candidates for the Haytian post."

The plum is worth the effort.

The Democrats abolished the office held by a colored man in order that no more colored men should hold the office. Don't be surprised if more offices are abolished for the self same reason between now and the end of the Democratic administration.

—The Columbian.
Louisville, Ky.

The charge is somewhat specific. It is generally thought that the office of U. S. Assistant Attorney-General was abolished because a colored man held it. We do not think, however, that any such information has been given out. We may have our surmises about things, but until they are proven by developments it is best sometimes not to give expression to them. We need the friendship of the democracy so badly that we cannot afford to hip frighten it away. Let us trust the great men who are at the head of this nation. Let us be genuinely surprised if they turn out to be little men doing the little things.

Recently a scene was enacted in a Denver, Colo., court that will long be remembered. One hundred and fifty colored men and women, with voices shaking with religious fervor and upstretched hands knelt on the floor of the west side criminal court, praying for Gus Craven, charged with highway robbery.

The jury filed out of the courtroom slowly to the chant of the colored men's prayers. A few minutes later the jury returned. The colored men hushed their prayers and strained their ears for the verdict.

"We, the jury, find the defendant 'Not Guilty.'"

It is useless to say that a bit of shouting was done. One spectator remarked that "Such a thing strengthens one in the divine belief." It would not do to have such occurrences every day, for if so the courts would go to pieces. One can readily see the influence of such an exhibition. If rightly based it would be all right, since any peaceful means are justifiable in bringing about he rescue of the falsely accused. The thing would be abused, however, if generally permitted, thus reducing the hold of religions on the people, a thing which helps civilization above any other one thing.

DR. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON'S OBSERVATION.

Dr. Booker T. Washington makes the interesting observation that no colored pupil has graduated from the high schools of the state of Oregon, nor has one graduated from any of the colleges of the state of Washington. He does not attempt to give any reasons for this. He says that there is considerable talk of higher education in the section, yet there is no advantage taken of the higher institutions. Mr. Washington will not find throughout the whole North the same intense desire for education among the Negroes that he finds in the section in which he lives. There's a lack of community interest, and natural enough, owing to the small number of colored people as compared to the white people. Then, again, there does not hang out that reward that hangs before every white child. These conditions are not encouraging, not to speak of a people who have never been forward in doing the things that count for the most.

In the South there is that same community interest noted among the white people. The colored people live practically in settlements and not so much in small spots. There can be no general educational zeal unless there are similar spirits working fairly together. The West particularly does not have that. However, the colored people of the West have other advantages which in the end fairly equalize things.

We think Mr. Washington is right in insisting that the colored people take advantage of those institutions of learning. The chances of employment of the finished product do not appear bright, yet somehow the prepared man or woman has always found something to do. Very often the educated individual finds himself plodding along at a wage that a good cook would not accept, or a good hotel waiter. The white people are not always different in that respect. The very educators themselves are about the poorest paid of the professions. The Bible has it somewhere, "Muzzle not the ox that treadeth out the corn." Sacrifice, however, is a law of civilization, and the colored people must give away to it. They are giving away to it. They have been doing so in the South, in the Middle West since the Civil Waar. The West will have to get the habit, holding its great schools as grand opportunities.

WHAT OF THE POLITICAL HARVEST.

The Negro sentiment of the Democratic party has begun to figure pretty closely after its possible assets. It is conceded that some of the places held by Negroes will not be given to them during this administration. It is too early to predict the probable effect of reducing the chances of office holding. The Democratic party was generously supported by the Negroes in the last campaign, but nothing like the support tendered the Republican party. It is reasonable to think that the cause of Democracy would be helped among the race if the places of Negro Republicans were filled with Negro Democrats.

As a political investment, we dare say, the Democratic party leaders would permit things to remain as they are if it were not for the rank and file of the party, who are clamoring for something to do. In view of the clamoring the investment might not prove profitable. The Negro in politics is like piece of rare bric-a-brac—he must be handled with care. This, of course, is due to that chronic thing—the race problem—and which crosses political lives with ceaseless persistency. If the great bulk of the Democratic party should get it into their heads that the administration was making too much of a fuss over Negroes a slump would be noticed in the election returns.

If that party wishes to retain the Negro's support, it will have to concede something. There are enough white men who are able and willing to take all of the offices held by Negroes. It has always been that way. The Republicans had the same thing with which to contend. White men were the preferred creditors, so to speak, yet something had to be reserved for the black faithfuls, who knew their value to that party. To reserve this was often the fight of their lives, going apparently against flesh and blood for the colored brother, yet it had to be done. Many a candidate has had it said to him that he was turning his own kind down for the Negroes. These were too selfish and short sighted. The individual who is shrewd enough to be a successful candidate for a good office is sensible enough to know who was responsible for him being there. His own success and his party success make it necessary that he do heroic things sometimes, going against the strain of his nature, but in the interest of success, harmony and justice.

The Democrats at Washington will also find it necessary to take the question of Negro appointees under advisement. The impatient white brother from the South should see it to his interest to bear with the color brother, who to some extent, has also borne the burden in the heat of the day. We notice that most of the larger offices held by Republican Negroes are already "subscribed" for by white Democrats. An invasion is imminent, but with what success remains with those who are to pilot the party for the coming four years. These men, we think, will see their party as a whole, but no less in parts in the interest of the future success and the party's reputation.

The Republican party is loved, has been loved owing to its splendid reputation along the line of human freedom. Men may dislike some other race very much, so much that they may seek an opposite party based mainly on the dislike, yet in their great regard for human freedom they will hold its instrument, such a party, in their affections. Many Democrats have had all along distrust of that party in national affairs, and because it has not always been free, frank on the question of human rights as much as anything else. This on the theory that unfair minds, prejudiced minds are incapable of seeing things in their right relations. It is on the theory of the very much quoted, false in one thing, false in all things.

Mr. Wilson's administration promises to make for the reputation of his party. He has the opportunity, one will think, and the genius. The opportunity is not so certain, since he is but one man; he may be obstructed in his high and just intents. The Negroes feel reasonably safe, thinking that his veto will be interposed in event of class legislation. In the matter of offices it is thought he will keep the faith. He is faced with that very disagreeable thing—the race question—which compels peculiar attention.

Great and manifestly just as he is, we will think this phase of his administration will be a trying one. There is absolutely no solution of the difficulty. He will find that he can only do what is best under the circumstances. Something is due the Negro vote. President Wilson will ascertain what that is, we feel free to say, and award it accordingly.

THE ADAMS' PRIZE DEBATE HAMPTON INSTITUTE, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA

The Douglas Literary Society won the second annual Adams' Prize Debate Saturday evening, March 15, 1913.

The question, "Resolved, That Foreign Immigration to the United States Should Be Encouraged toward the South," was hotly debated by both teams, but the Douglass showed a remarkable degree of mastery and superiority over its adversary.

The Dunbar team, though probably weakened by the illness of one of its members, could not, at their best, have withstood the Douglass attack.

The first quartet gave a pleasing series of plantation melodies while the judges were out, after which the pries for the Adams' Essay Contest were awarded to Rebecca Eaton, first prize; James E. Scott, second prize, and George H. White for an honorable mention.

The judges then announced the decision in favor of the Douglass Society and the beautiful silk banner was presented to Hugh V. Brown, president, and handsome gold medals were awarded to each successful debater.

T. N. Williams substituted for A. R. Booth, who took suddenly ill a few days before the debate.

PRIZE ESSAY CONTEST CONDUCTED BY HOWARD UNIVERSITY.

The effect of Emancipation upon the physical condition of the Afro-American is the subject of prize essay contest conducted by Howard University, Washington, D. C. Conditions of contest are:

(1) All competitors must be colored students, bona fide juniors and seniors in attendance at some American college.

(2) Essay must not exceed 4,000 words in length, must be typewritten on but one side of paper 12x10 inches, with a margin to the left of the page of at least one inch. No essay must in any case bear the name of the competitor. Each esasy, however, should bear a number. This same number should be written on an envelop within which is a sheet of paper bearing the name, college and postoffice address of the contestant.

Essays should be forwarded to Professor Kelly Miller not later than September 1, 1913.

THE MOB ACTIVE.

UNION CITY, Tenn., March 21.—Johnson Grenson, a Negro, accused of murdering Samuel McClure, a white man, early today, was hanged here by a mob this afternoon on a prominent street corner in the presence of 1,000 people. Mr. McClure, who was 70 years old, investigated a noise in his kitchen one night to find a negro eating there. The Negro refused to leave unless given money, whereupon Mr. McClure shot at him.

Grenson, who is said to have implicated another Negro in a confession, returned later in the night, broke into the house and shot the old man with a shotgun. Mr. McClure died at noon.

PRISON MURDERER HANGED.

LINCOLN, Neb., March 21.—Albert Prince, a Negro, was hanged at the State Penitentiary here for the murder of Deputy Warden Ed Davis in the prison chapel a year ago.

HE LIKES THE ENLARGED FREEMAN.

St. Louis, Mo., March 23, 1913.

Messrs. Knox & Knox,
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Gentlemen—I noticed with pleasure the enlargement and improvement in general in your widely-read journal, and I am offering my sincere congratulations. The brilliant weekly contributions of the versatile R. W. Thompson, the stage news and happenings generally, as they appear, time after time in the Freeman, have long commended it to the reading public.

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Wishing it continued and lasting prosperity, I am, indeed, a friendly well-wisher.

CHAS. HENRY PHILLIPS, JR.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Mrs. Charles Jackson was in Mt. Vernon last week....Oliver Grimes, of Beaver Falls, attended the Elks party and was the guest of his daughter, Miss Carrie Grimes, a few days.... Mrs. Sarah Mitchel and Ross Woods, of Bradfort, Pa., attended the Elgs party and were the guests of Mrs. Bellwaker....Mrs. Walker was on the sick list last week....Mr. Rev. Taylor is able to be around the house.... Mr. Archie Thomas is ill at his home, 16 Chestnut street....Mr. John Downing, of Cleveland, was in the city on Friday on business....Mr. George Woods is able to be around after two weeks' illness....Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Jones, of Cleveland, were the guests of friends and relatives here last week....Mrs. Florance Washington, of Struthers, died Friday in the St. Clair Hospital, at Cleveland. She had been operated on two weeks ago and never recovered. She was the daughter of Mrs. Smith, of Struthers, and where Mrs. Washington was born and raised. The remains were brought to Struthers for burial. She leaves a host of friends....Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stewart are regarding it as a girl.... Mrs. Geneva Spencer, of New York City, was called to the city Sunday on account of the illness of her father, Archie Thomas....Rufus Ecles, age 45, died at his late home, Chicago, early Monday morning after a long illness. He leaves a mother, sister and two brothers, and a number of friends ....Rev. J. M. Gilmore Laston, of the Oak Hill Avenue church will attend the financial board meeting. He represents the Third Episcopal District A. A. M. A. church. He is a member of the board

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coat.
Pick the flaws; find fault; forget the
man is you,
And strive to make your estimate ring
true;
Confront yourself and look you in the
eye—
Just stand aside and watch yourself
go by.

Interpret all your motives just as
though
You looked on one whose aims you did
not know.
Let undisguised contempt surge
through you when
You see you shirk, O commonest of
men!
Despise your cowardice; condemn
what'er
You note of falseness in you anywhere.
Defend not one defect that shames
your eye—
Just stand aside and watch yourself
go by.

And then, with eyes unveiled to what
you loathe—
To sins that with sweet charity you'd
clothe—
Back to your self-walled tenements
you'll go
With tolerance for all who dwell below.
The faults of others then will dwarf
and shrink,
Love's chain grow stronger by one
mighty link—
When you, with "he" as substitute
for "I,"
Have stood aside and watched yourself
go by.

—S. W. Gillian, in the Penberthy Engineer.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The paintings of Mr. H. O. Tanner were on exhibition at the Milwaukee Art Gallery from March 6th to 16th. When asked to give his views on the possibilities of colored artists, Mr. Tanner said in part that they were first to be made as there were so few and then they would be gladly accepted as every possible courtesy had been shown him while here, which fact seems to prove that art knows no color....On Monday eve the Phylis Wheatley Woman's club, represented by Mrs. J. S. Woods and Miss Lucille Jockson offirmatives entered into a debate with the negative representatives of the Booker T. Washington Forum. Mr. Jno. Austin and Mr. Pope, on Womans Suffrage. The judges rendered their decision as a tie, but the audience unanimously agreed that the club won, for whereas only one of the negatives produced a few good points they did not balance those of their opponents....The Calvary Jubilee singers sang in Racine, Wis., Sunday before several hundred at the Y. M. C. A. and the Methodist Episcopal church. A cordial reception was given them....Get the Freeman at Scott Bros. news depot, 328 State St., or phone Grand 3892.

RACE GLEANINGS.

James Milton Turner, the St. Louis Negro, who earned a $1,000,000 fee, was born seventy-one years ago on a plantation near the St. Charles road, in St. Louis county, twelve miles west of St. Louis. His father claimed descent from a Moorish prince and his mother was derived from the Vey tribe in Africa, which is said to have invented a system of writing and elaborated a grammar. His father was a nephew of Nat Turner, leader of the slave insurrection in Virginia in 1831, and, although he had no part in the conspiracy, would have lost his life but for the devotion of his young master, Benjamin Tillman. For the sake of his slave, Tillman obtained his share of the family estate, hastily converted it into movables and emigrated to St. Louis. In defiance of the law, Tillman had taught his servant to be a veterinary surgeon. They set up a partnership in Barondelet.

Havana.—A strong race feeling has been engendered by the trouble which arose at the Hotel Plaza, an American house, over the refusal of the bartender to serve drinks to two Negro congressmen. This resulted in a riot, which, although no one was injured seriously, made necessary the calling out of the police reserves. Today the clerk of the hotel was arraigned in the correctional court and fined $70.

An enormous crowd of Negroes, including a strong representation of the Veterans' Association, attended the court session and demanded exemplary punishment on account of the insult to the race.

Senator Prosecutor.

Senor Morua Delgacto, president of the Senate and leader of the Negro element, conducted the prosecution and insisted upon the extreme penalty, which is a fine of $1,000 and six months' imprisonment.

The decision of the court to inflict a minor penalty was greeted with strong expression of disapproval. After the adjournment of the court the two Negro congressmen, heading a mob of 400 Negroes, marched to the hotel crying, "Viva Maceo! Viva la Patria!" They entered the bar and demanded drinks, which were served with no further protests.

Hon. Henry T. Eubanks, who was three times elected to the Ohio Legislature and one of Ohio's most prominent men, died last week of heart failure. He was an active member and vestryman of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Funeral was held from St. Andrew's Church Saturday, February 22. Rev. B. Wellington, pastor, was assisted by Bishop Leonard and the Rev. Frank DuMonlin, D. D., dean of Trinity Cathedral. A choir of thirty voices and two solos by Miss Ruby Yates and C. C. Clark. Sunday night, March 2, memorial services for Mr. Eubanks were held at St. Andrew's. J. W. Wills has charge of the music, assisted by the choir. Hon. John P. Green, LL. D., spoke of Mr. Eubanks as a churchman, and Charles W. Chestnut, author and writer, spoke of him as a citizen and a public man. The rector spoke of his noble qualities as a "friend to men."

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

The Art Club met at the residence of Mrs. James Covington last Thursday evening, 146 State St., which was royally entertained. The club is preparinb to exhibit their work in the near future.... Mr. George Gentry, of Evansville, Ind., was in the city last week in the interest of the Billups Company....Mr. John Bland and Miss Maude Huskey were united in happy wedlock Sunday evening at the residence of the bride....The Lyric Theater will put on a new set of motion pictures of the latest development on the 14th. The place for all theater goers to enjoy themselves the following week....

The thanksgiving service of the Knights of Pythias were held at the Seventh St. A. M. E. church. Rev. Wm. Wolfe delivered the Pythian address, which was a tribute to the hearers as well as the high respect paid to Pythianism. The church was filled and many clammered on the outside, unable to gain admittance. It seemed to be the glory of Pithianism in its place in the city....Mr. Irvin W. Moxley, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again....Mrs. J. F. Moxley is very sick at this writing, but is improving very rapidly....The friends and patrons of the Freeman may leave their adds and news matter at the Atlamata Mutual Ins. office, 217 Main St.

J. F. MOXLEY, Agent.

KANSAS CITY, KAN.

The Rose Maiden Cantata.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Cowan's beautiful cantata "The Rose Maiden," will be rendered by the summer high school chorus of seventy-five voices, under the direction of Mr. Thos. H. Reynolds. The concert will be given at the high school auditorium, corner Ninth and Minnesota Avenues, Friday, April 25th, 8:15 p. m. The chorus will be assisted by Miss Effie Grant, soprano; Mrs. Elnora Clayton, contralto; Mr. F. J. Work, tenor, and Mr. T. H. Reynolds, baritone. Misses Desdemona West and Buelah Douglass, pianists. Admission, 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for students, provided the school children will buy their tickets on or before Thursday, April 24th. Tickets will be on sale at Lincoln high School, Kansas City, Mo.; Western University; Quindaro, Kan., and Summer High School, Kansas City, Kan.

PARIS, KY.

(By Lawrence Kellis, 710 W. 7th St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Paris High School went to Cynthiana and played a baseball game....The Freeman was going to press when the news was brought back....Mr. Ben Hickman was in Paris Sunday visiting his family....See Kellis or J. C. Gatewood for The Freeman.

VALDASTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Pinkie Franklin is still ill at her home....Mrs. Susie Bentman, of Moultrie, Ga., spent Sunday in this city ....Miss Etta Moore was married to Mr. Walter Farist on April 3....Mrs. her home after spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rice in this city.. ..The Freeman will be for sale every Saturday by Lourd Purdie.

LOST RELATIVES.

Wanted.

My mother's name was Elizabeth Bowie; My oldest brother's name was Robert Bowie; my maiden name was Ann Bowie; my present name is Ann Hite. I had two younger brothers whose names were Gerry and Austin Bowie, and two sisters whose names were Ellen and Susan Bowie. Was owned by Colonel Walton, of Carroll county, Ga. Three of us were placed in an orphans' home to be bound out, in Atlanta, Ga. Address all information to MRS. ANN HITE, 1202 West Morgan street, Denison, Texas.

MEETING OF A. M. E. CHURCH FINANCIAL BOARD.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—According to reports made at the annual meeting of the financial board of the African Methodist Episcopal church today, the denomination raised in "dollar money" collections, $206,910.17 for the fiscal year ending March 31. The report was the first to be presented by John R. Hawkins, the present financial secretary of the denomination.

This money does not include the thousands of dollars raised for the running of the various churches of the denomination, nor that raised in the special collections for general church purposes.

The money raised during the past year is regarded as a splendid showing for the denomination, and it is expected that the amount raised during the next three years will total $1,000,000.

Of the money raised during the year, eight per cent, $16,552.81, was turned over to the missionary department; a similar sum to both the educational and church extension departments of the denomination; 36 per cent, $74,437.66, retained by the various annual conferences for the support of superannuated ministers, widows and orphans, and the remaining 40 per cent, $82,764.81, used for the payment of the salaries of the bishops, general officers and other denominational needs.

Bishop H. B. Parks, who presided, and the other members of the board congratulated Mr. Hawkins for the businesslike manner with which he is conducting the affairs of the office. He is the first layman to hold the position, and was elected thereto in May, 1912, succeeding Rev. John Hurst, who was elevated to the bishopric. He has been an active worker in his denomination for thirty years. For a number of years he was president of Kittrell College. In 1906 he was elected educational secretary of his denomination, which position he held until his election as financial secretary.

LANGSTON UNIVERSITY, LANGSTON, OKLA.

Postoffice and Grocery Store Robbed—School visited by Members of the Legislature.

(By Allen G. Bowles.)

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Langston, April 2, 1913.

The postoffice was broken into by robbers supposed to be looking for money only. They bot a few pennies. The postmaster said that there was $150 in stamps in the drawer but they were not bothered. He did not miss anything else and he has a $5,000 stock of dry goods. The leading grocery store was broken into the same night. They took the safe which was found the next day one and a half miles away from the store. The safe contained between $150 and $200 but the money was untouched as they were unable to open it....The university was visited by members of the state legislature consisting of the committee that has been appointed to visit and investigate the state schools. They seemed to be very well pleased with the way President Page was conducting the institution....Prof. Wm. McMullins is very sick with pneumonia, and we wish him an early recovery. He is missed by the boys in the foundry....See Bowles for the Freeman.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

(By Wm. Brooks.)

Special to The Freeman.

Sunday's services were made very interesting by the preaching of the able divines and the choirs all rendering choice music, which enlivened the occasion....At 3 p. m., the Knights of Pythias celebrated their anniversary with an excellent sermon delivered by Rev. J. H. Smith, D. D., pastor of Warren A. M. E. church, at the First Baptist church, of which Rev. C. A. Bell, Ph. D., D. D., is pastor. This church was crowded....At the city auditorium a few evenings ago, appeared the musical wonder of the world, Madam Hackley, the queen of all songstresses. She captured and thrilled the audience with her singing and brought forth continued applause as her chairming voice was heard. Let us ever proclaim her queen of the musical realm. A most cordial welcome awaits her most speedy return Ito this city......Hon. G. W. Murray, ex-congressman from South Carolina, delivered about fifteen lectures which were a great profit to the hearers. He is an orator of great power and the subjects, "Race Ideals," and "The Spiritual Man," were certainly well handled. He was highly entertained by the Y. M. C. A. and the business men of Chattanooga. He covered himself with honor.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove, Phone, Bell 1659.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. G. W. Jones preached both morning and evening at Bethel church, Sunday. His morning subject was, "My son, give me thy heart," Proverbs22:26. Revival services are in session this week at this church. Rev. H. W. Jameson, of Decatur, and Rev. J. W. Wiley, of Danville, both preached during the week....At the Salem Baptist church, Sunday, the pastor delivered two excellent sermons, both morning and evening. "The value of truth" was his theme. Every senior member of the church is asked to bring $2 next Sunday, and the junior members, $1....Mr. L. H. Green, of Sprinbfield, was in the city several days this week on business....Mr. E. Langston Prince, of Coin, Iowa, is in the city visiting his brother, Mr. W. J. Prince, who is a student in the University of Illinois....Mrs. James Calhoun has removed her restaurant from 6½ North Hickory street to 118 East University avenue.... Mr. Brent Newsom, of Chicago, is in the city on business....Miss Emma Randolph has been ill but is able to be about again. ....Mrs. George Merrill, who has been very sick, is up and around again.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Smith are grieved over the death of their infant girl, born April 12, and which lived but one day.... Rev. Bishop Blackwell, of the Seventh district of the M. E. Zion church, preached at the M. E. Zion church here last Sunday. There was a prize of a $10 watch biven to the lady who collected the largest amount of money over $5, which was won by Miss L. Gilbert....The six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hinds died last week after a short illness.... Miss Ada Bish and a lady friend, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Calloway last Saturday and Sunday....Mr. E. Johnson has gone to Springfield, Ill., for an indefinite time....Miss S. Calloway went to Mt. Vernon on last Monday to visit relatives and friends.... Mrs. Southers went to Chicago last week to see her sick daughter....Dr. Wallace, of Metropolis, Ill., was here last week looking for a location. A good colored doctor is needed here, als a good colred druggist; bth of whom would do well.... Mrs. W. Bunch is on the sick list....Mrs. Dudley is organist at the M. E. church. ....Mr. J. M. Jones, one of our leading clothes cleaners and pressers, is having a large trade....Many people who were here during the hibh waters at Cairo and other points, are making their way back home since the waters have gone down. ....At this writing the city election is on and many candidates are to be voted for. All the colored voters can ride free of charge; no jim crowism here on election day. The Socialists showed their colors. The other parties were the Independent Citizens and Peoples....Miss Bertha and Miss Ethel Show, of St. Louis, visited their sister, Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Sunday and Monday.

ODD FELLOWS' BUILDING, ATLANTA, GA.

The Odd Fellows of Atlanta, Ga., and the colored citizens generally are rejoicing over their $100,000 Odd Fellow building. The structure is a splendid monument of patience, genius and prosperity of the race. It is worthy of the very elaborate dedication ceremonies held last Sunday. Following is the program:

1. Invocation—Dr. C. M. Tanner, pastor Bethel A. M. E. Church.
2. Introduction of Master of Ceremonies—Dr. Wm. F. Penn.
3. Remarks—Master of Ceremonies.
4. Music—Choir.
5. The Odd Fellows' Building and the Order's Contribution to the Race's Progress and Society (five minutes)—Rev. E. R. Carter, D. D., pastor Friendship Baptist Church.
6. Why the Bank Should Take Quarters in the Odd Fellows' Building (five minutes)—C. C. Cater, cashier Atlanta State Savings Bank.
7. Music—Atlanta Baptist College Orchestra.
8. Why Every Negro Business and Professional Man Should Take Quarters in the Odd Fellows' Building, and other Negro Buildings (five minutes)—Rev. P. James Bryant, D. D., pastor Wheat Street Baptist Church.
9. Why All Negroes Should Show Race Pride and Self-Appreciation (five minutes)—Capt. Jackson McHenry.
10. Solo—Mrs. L. L. Hodges.
11. Why the Preachers Should Stand for Race Pride, Race Development and Unity (five minutes)—Dr. W. A. Fountain, D. D., president Morris Brown College.
12. Ben Davis, His Achievements for the Order, Race and Community (five minutes)—Colonel Henry Lincoln Johnson, Recorder of Deeds, Washington, D. C.
13. Solo—Prof Sidney Woodward.
14. Why Every Female Society Should Meet in the Odd Fellows' Building (five minutes)—Mrs. L. P. Fortune, D. M. N. G.
15. Why the Masons Should Take Quarters in the Odd Fellows' Building (five minutes)—Dr. H. R. Butler.
16. Music—Choir.
17. Why the Pythians Should Take Quarters in the Odd Fellows' Building (five minutes)—Prof. C. W. Hill.
18. Why All Other Secret Orders Should Take Quarters in the Odd Fellows' Building (five minutes)—Prof. B. S. Ingram, D. G. M.
19. Benediction.
20. Visiting Odd Fellows' Building.

The building will be open one hour for inspection after program.

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The American Theatrical Exchange has opened an office in Atlanta, Ga., and is doing nicely.

Green's All-Star vaudeville company played at Newcastle, Ind., latter half of the week.

Little Johnny Jones and Eva Moore are at the Circle theater, Detroit, Mich., the week of April 14.

Princess Rajah, the beautiful princess, is at the Star theater, Savannah, Ga. No need for further words.

John Gertrude is doing nicely at the Savoy Theater, Chattanooga, Tenn. Would like to hear from Jines and Hill.

The taking little performer, Hester Kenton, will be at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, next week.

The Pewees report great success over Dudleys time. Richmond, Va., weeks of 14 and 21, at Dixie and Hippodrome.

"The Four Brass Men" at Woonsocket, R. I., April 17-18-19. Fred Simpson, of Indianapolis, leader of the bunch.

Lewis and Jones at the Princess theater, San Diego, Cal. In Denver, Col., next week. Been having big success in Canada and in the States.

Chas. Nickerson, known as "Kid Nick, the Original," is at the Booker T. Washington Theater, St. Louis, Mo., this week. He will go to Philadelphia next week.

Simms and Thompson still working. May sail in June with a girl act. April 7, at the Bijou theater, Corning, N. Y.; April 14, Orpheum theater, Courtland, N. Y.

Robinson and White will open at the Booker T. Washington Airdome, St. Louis, Mo., for the week of April 21. May be addressed at 1007 Chestnut street.

James H. Gray, of the Stetson's N. T. C. Company, closed Saturday, April 12, at Kokomo, Ind., to take charge of Dixieland with the great Cole Carnival Company.

Schaffer and Nugent, Odessa and Carrie, are now on their third week at the Savoy theater, Chattanooga, Tenn., taking the house by storm nightly. They talk, sing and dance. Some sister team.

Bennie Sparrow, a well-known performer who was with the R. P. Minstrels season of 1911-12, is now in trouble. Would like to hear from all friends. Address him at Camp No. 2, Route No. 3, Grand Prairie, Texas.

Hicks, Hicks, Big Four Trio were at the Idle Hour theater, Indianapolis, first half this week. Had big success. Will appear with Green's All-Star vaudeville company, opened up at Newcastle, Ind., last half of week.

Thornton and Regusters went great at the Booker T. Washington theater, St. Louis, Mo., tihs week. The woman, owing to size and figure, was a knockout attraction. Chas. Nickerson made good in his monologue.

A. L. King, the Buckeye Wonder, is yet alive, although he just arrived home in time for the flood at Dayton, Ohio, but is unharmed. The best of luck to all. Prof. Jiguako and R. Hamilton, hello; also U. S. Thompson (Slow Kid).

Winfrey and Saparo opened at Keith's Bijou theater, Philadelphia, this week and were a big hit. Week before last at Bridgeton, N. J.; last week, Dixie theater, Philadelphia. They have consecutive bookings on the Family United Time. These boys are two of the cleverest comedians of the race.

It is rumored that Sylvester Russell will be out with a new weekly magazine no later than May 1, entitled "The State Street Stroll." It will be larger than the Review and will cater to the show and business people as an advertiser. He will have two business associates, one a graduate printer from Tuskegee Institute.

John W. Dennis and Hattie Payton are one of the many features of the Sheltons Colored Minstrels. Week of April 7 at Bridgeport, Ala. Mr. Ed Lemons, comedian, is pleasing the people. Arthur Adkins is a clean, clever comedian. Chas. Freeman comes in for a bood share of applause. The Williams Sisters, Annie and Estella, are among our favorites. Miss Alma Hedrick is a sweet singer of rare merit. Dennis and Payton are leaving them screaming.

Jines and Hill now playing some time for Frank Q. Doyle, going nicely this week at the Pekin theater, Cincinnati, O. Mr. D. Dempsey is the manager and proprietor and one among the kings. Regards to Crest Simmons and Baby June, also the other friends in and out of the profession. Week of April 21, Premier theater, Chicago. First three days of the week of April 28, Virbinia theater, Chicago. They say: "Managers, you don't have to write. Wire us at our expense any time you can use the act. Address, 3108 State street, Chicago. Will have some open time soon."

WHAT'S ON THE DUDLEY CIRCUIT

Week of April 14.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Lew W. Henry, Mgr.—The Hillmans, Godfrey and Washborn.

Washington, D. C.—Fairland Theater, Frank Kearney, Mgr.—The Seminoles, The Moores.

Petersburg, Va.—Idle Hour Theater, closed for repairs.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie Theater, Walter J. Coulter, Mbr.—The Pewees and George Byrd.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theater, Walter J. Coulter, Mgr.—Griffin Sisters, Claybrooks, Original Rag, Morton and Allen.

Norfolk, Va.—Globe Theater, J. Van Buskirk, Mgr.—Baby Jim, Brown and Dumount, Daisy Collins.

New Port News, Va.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Matt Lewis, Mgr.—Princess Satanka and three other big acts.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle Theater, Geo. Bundy, Mgr.—Five bib vaudeville acts.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Auditorium Theater, John T. Gibeon, Mgr.—The Great Clenn, Allen and Morton.

Wilmington, N. C.—Queen Theater, Morris Whippler, Mgr.—Minstrel Morris, the Whites and two other acts.

Wilmington, N. C.—Lyric Theater, Morris Whippler, Mgr.—Minus and Pryant and three other acts.

Washington, D. C.—The Grand Theater, Wm. Colman, Mgr.—Easton and Easton, Mason and Jones.

Washington, D. C.—Star, Gray and Gray and the Easton Four.

CHICAGO SPECIAL REVIEW.

(By Slyvester Russell.)

April is to have a concert season and I have been asked to review the vocal and instrumental element in the classics. The artists have already been announced by the Chicago news correspondent. While the pressure of envy I enjoy is breat, I must confess as a critic who has demonstrated without forcing to the front, that Mr. Elwood C. Knox has been my best friend in the newspaper business regardless of the fact that every editor has done things to a disadvantage of their and my own financial success. So I shall continue on in special work, such as the public demands. The Deven, California Poppies, Texas Tommy dancers were a rousing success at the Grand Theater, and last week Roy Johnson, an acrobatic dancer and tumbler of great merit, and Cecil Watts gave an excellent specialty. Rosa Gordan, an amateur singer, made her professional debut at the Monogram. She is pretty and has a promising soprano voice but will need a serious and exacting instructor to drill her into art and stagecraft. Harry Goodman, manager of the Samoan Girls, is vrey ill. Billy Cumby's initial effort to get up a benefit which met with a turndown, may yet materialize according to a statement by Manager Martin Klein of the Monobram. Blondie Robinson has arrived in town after a tour of Australia, Mexico and the Pacific Coast. He is on the big time and will not be able to appear on State street. I met Cavita Day, looking charming, as she boarded a street car. It is reported that salary difference has preventer her from an appearance at the Grand since her return from Europe. Lester A. Walton's announcement in the New York Age last week to the effect that Bert A. Williams is backing the Pompeil, recently opened by Tom McCain and Mort Shoecraft, has been denied by the two proprietors. However, I have been informed by an authority that Williams had advanced money to McCain and Shoecraft on notes of collection. Mr. Williams, who had been seen at the cafe at early noons, has now ceased to meander; his valet is in hiding and his business agent is noncommital, but it is rumored that Williams does not wish to connect his private personal investments with his public theatrical interests. I recently hal a tilt with Williams at the Hotel Brunswick. I informed him in philosophics that all wealthy men must ever bow to brains. Young Shelton Brooks was present as a pupil. But the famous actor and the critic have since met and saluted at the very threshold of the palacial Pompeil. Reverting to Gotham, where the C. V. B. A. actors are in mourning, I was ill-disturbed when the news reached me in the Amsterdam News, how the Cleff Club had so regretfully acted upon the impulse of indiscretion in ignoring the proposition of a benefit for the late Frank Clermont, who had been so long ill and so valuable as the C. V. B. A. secretary. But let us forget and forgive, now that the warrent of his death has borne out the deed.

"Some folks the seed of mishaps often plant
That later cause rebretful hearts to pant."

In his last letter Mr. Clermont requested me to dedicate a poem to the late Bessie Brady, which I did.

OF FAME REWARDED.

Frank sees the great hereafter now,
That he had soon expected,
And at God's throne he's meekly bow'd
In homage—oft neglected.

He sings with little Bessie too,
The poem he had requested,
That I, the critic, might renew
The fame their fear requested.
—SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

THE NEW CROWN GARDEN THEATER.

Tim E. Owsly, Prop.

The Crown Garden theater is beginning to take on its old looks. Audiences are growing larger and more appreciative. The little house has established a patronage that is fairly dependable regardless of the character of the weather or the shows. The shows are coming up right along. The bill this week is a corking good one. Every act stands out for itself, and was worthy of the applause given.

ROBINSON AND WHITE.

Robinson and White have succeeded in getting together one of the very best acts seen on the vaudeville stage. The opening was a novelty unusual, by way of singing, dancing, talking. This work is so pleasingly done that the house grows rapidly in sympathy with the performers. "The Burglar Rag" done by way of a skit, is a big time piece of business. One gets a vivid impression of the yeggmen at their work when the two prowl about the stage, reminding one of "Jimmy Valentine." It's a fine bit of realism, and it is appreciated. Their "Military Boys" is another clear-cut phase of their work. White leads with a cornet. Robinson does the trombone. The duet gets the hands, and the turn is repeated. Robinson is a comedian of class; not grotesque, but entertainingly funny. His lines are heard without effort. His "Fifteen Cents" song was well received. White is an Indianapolis boy, and of course, making good. Traces of his fine hand are seen all through the act. Their wardrobe is all right. They look prosperous off the stage. Manager Tim on seeing the act the opening night booked the team at once to St. Louis, Chicago and Cincinnati to follow the engagement at the Crown.

EMMA THORNTON.

Emma Thornton proved a surprise. She has been seen on the Crown stage, but not to an advantage. She had a small part in one of the recent shows which did not permit her to show her fine singing ability. It turns out that Miss Thornton has already made a name for herself down in her home town, New Orleans, where she is known as the "New Orleans favorite." She has a very good voice which carries to all parts of the house. She uses it effectually, filling her songs with that feeling touch that wins everything in the audience. Miss Thornton does her work so well that she does not find it necessary to work in the little steps that generally go with vaudeville singing. Really, what little movements she puts on, while pretty, does not help her splendid singing. With the proper attention she could take the place of Flora Batson Bergen, that unparalleled ballad singer of the Negro race. Miss Thornton has all the essentials even to good looks.

JOHNNY WOODS.

Johnny Woods and "Little Henry" are at the Crown Garden again. It was thought that they would not go so well after having been here so recently, and this being their second week of the present engagement. All such thoughts were dismissed when the pair showed up last Monday night. Little old Henry was at his best. He said the quaintest things in the quaintest way, and the house loved the little homely "eight rick" because so quaint and entertaining. Little Henry can't fail to please as long as Johnny Woods is his partner.

Pinkey and Walker is another first-class team, both members of which are special artists. They will be spoken of at length next week.

Edwards and Hardee are also a good pair of performers who give pleasing numbers.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By the Owl.)

The Lincoln Theater.

Mabel Johnson opened the bill and went big. Mosley and Brown followed and did very well. A white magician followed them. He did some very clever tricks and was well received. Williams and Stevens, in another of their many acts, "screamed" them. In the last half, Sadie Britton, who has been around the continent twice, so she claims, kept the party well entertained, explaining the strange happenings in the foreign countries. Nelson and Webber did fairly well. Billy Dixon went big. Williams and Stevens closed the bill with another one of their screaming acts.

Crescent Theater.

Miss Madeline Sodel, comedienne, was very good. Sharp and Sharp came next. Emmett Anthony was a scream. The surprise is that a single should be such a riot. Why, on Monday afternoon he stopped the show. Sharp and Sharp was a very nice act and went good. Hunter and Chappelle appeared in a big stock act called "The Sheriff of Arizona." These two young men are very good and have been putting on stock here for quite a while. The last half brought Falko Fransilo, magician. Emmett Anthony appeared in another one of his sure fire acts. Then came Hunter and Chappelle and their company in another one of their after-pieces, full of fun and laughter.

Lafayette Theater.

We are led to believe this house did more business—in fact, made more clear money—last week, than ever before since its opening. Mr. S. Tutt Whitney, J. Homer Tutt and Mr. Blanche Thompson and their company of twenty-five people, appeared in a play entitled "His Excellency, the Mayor." Cutting a two hour and a half show down to fifty minutes, and then give us the show they did, is going some. We only wish it had been so that the whole play could have been given us. This one fifty-minute act will be long remembered by the New York people. In connection with "His Excellency, the Mayor," was the regular vaudeville bill—Maxco, on the Roman rings; Brown and Lawson, another very clever act; Theo. Babcock and company, and Allen and Martin, which was a big scream.

Franklin Theater.

Geo. Scott opened the bill and went very well. Jackson and Dabney went fair. Next Scudder and Boots Allen. Then came the big act, Miss Daisy Fleming, with her acrobatic singing and dancing imps, two girls and four boys. The last half brought Babe Odolal, who did very nicely. A team opened right here, man and woman, and made one show, which was enough. The man was very good. Frost and Lloyd had to take their place and finish out the week. Hubert Chadwick was good. Miss Fleming and her picks were held over and again went big. The show, as a whole, was good.

Family Theater.

Criswell and Bailey, two girls that are as clever as they make 'em, stormed the bill the first half at this house. The Georgia Comedy Four followed them. This is also a good act. Some of the best pictures seen in the small houses were shown here. Then came Jones and Davis, a good act.

Pioneer Theater.

Gibson and Edginton opened fair. The Dusky Belle Trio, Miss Mattie Phillips' act, was a big scream. After their first show they were re-engaged for the last two. Boots Allen and his partner, Scudder, came next. Then the Original Comedy Four. Of course, we know they made good. Following them were Johnson and Etta Grose, a nice act.

Miss Madge Clinton, the great singer and dancer, has just arrived from Chicago, opening at the Lincoln Theater this week. Regards to all.

Bonnie and Semoura arrived in the city and report business good. They will remain here one or two weeks.

Holliday, Vaughner & Co. say everything is O. K. around Boston.

Joe Simms, of Simms and Thomas, spent Sunday in New York. He says business is good, but he can't stay away.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

The cabaret show to be given April 17 by the Colored Democratic Club of Brooklyn, at Teutonia Hall, will consist of the following acts: Billy Ward and the Twelve Troubadours; Ray and Taylor; the Wallace Sisters; the Four Dancing Demons; Laura Moss; McKissnick and Shadney.

John W. Cooper, the ventriloquist with an act, scored a big success at the Columbia Theater, Attleboro, Mass., last week. Cooper is meeting with success on every bill through the East.

Bert Williams, with the Follies of 1912, is at the Colonial Theater, Chicago. They are in their seventh week.

Parker Rappley's Brooklyn musical comedy company has started rehearsing for the summer season, and from the reports the company is expected to have a successful season. Would like to hear from Miss E. Woodford and Miss Inez Hamilton and two girls. Write to Mrs. P. Rappley, 1035 Fulton street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Royal Poinciana Quintette, which opened in February at the Palace Theater, London, is scoring a big success. The members are: H. J. Sutton, Walter Hilliard, R. M. Cooper, Chester Hawkes, and the well-known bass singer, Charles B. Foster.

The Vaughner-Halliday Company are scoring a success down East on the United time. They are booked for five weeks.

Henderson Smith, manager of the Ten Dark Knights Company, will close his season May 3, after forty years in the show business.

John W. Cooper, the ventriloquist, is scoring a success at Akers' Theater, Halifax, N. S., this week.

This week Simms and Thompson are at the Orpheum Theater, Cortland, N. Y.

The Brooklyn Serenaders are composed of the following members: Miss Blanche Howell, George Davis, Miss Rose Orr and Billy E. Jones. This act will open the season September 30, after playing the summer season. Would like to use one girl and a boy tenor. Billy E. Jones, 88 Rockwell Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Maude Jones is meeting with success in Montreal, Canada.

Miss Blanche Howell, the little magnet, will feature the songs, "Oh, So Sweet," and "Melinda's Wedding Day," with the Brooklyn Serenaders.

THE THEATER, WASHINGTON, D. C.

(By John H. Hall.)

Chelsea Theater.

Opened with Madame Pauline Crampton and her singing boys and girls, and they went big. The Madame scored in "Memories." Baker and Smith followed, Miss Smith singing "It's Hard to Kiss Your Sweetheart When the Last Kiss Means Good-bye," with slides. A big hit. Gus Baker, her partner, soon sang and danced himself into favor. With Miss Jane J. Stewart and Mr. Raymond Cooke furnishing the best music in the city, Manager Gentry is still smiling.

Blue Mouse.

This house opened with a single, a lady act, that went big, followed by Tim and Hester Moore, the best, funniest and greatest comedy team that has appeared in Washington in a long time. The comical antics of Mr. Moore are far and away the best ever seen here. Manager Green says they are the best box office attraction he has played in some time.

Fairyland Theater.

The Hillmans, a real classy team, opened the bill here in their second week. They are the cleanest and most refined comedy team we have seen in some time. Being held over for their second week is the best evidence of their ability. The Seminoles, in a great Western act, cleaned up for fair, making a great bill at this house. On Thursday afternoon Mr. Frank Kearney, of this house, gave a special matinee for the colored school children of the Stevens School, and five hundred of them who seldom see the movies except on paper enjoyed themselves to their young hearts' content. The Hillmans followed the pictures and entertained the children for some time. Then came the Seminoles, in all their war paint, amid a storm of applause, especially the youngster in this act, who was a big favorite with all. After the show Mr. Frank Kearney was thanked by the teachers and all the children for a very pleasant afternoon.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

At the Pekin.

Jones and Hill are the tatraction at the Pekin Theater this week. The team is a new one here, and they have a good act. Miss Lucy Shepherd holds up her number on the bill, as usual.

Notes.

Miss Bessie Hocker is the real matinee idol.

Mr. Frank Bennett has returned, after spending several weeks' vacation in the South. He is back to his old post as orchestra leader at the Pekin.

Mr. Russell Smith, a member of the famous Pekin Orchestra, has joined the Musical Spillmans, the well-known musical act playing over the Keith time. He will open with them at Cleveland, O., Monday of this week.

Col. Sam Brown, the well-known assistant manager of the Pekin, has been confined to his bed for several weeks.

Mr. Thomas Gales and W. H. Reid left this city on the 16th inst. for Newark, N. J., where they will open on the 23d with Arlington & Beckman's Oklahoma Wild West Show.

Owing to the recent floods the Pekin was unable to book any acts for the week's shows.

LEE'S CREOLE BELLES CLOSE.

Lee's Creole Belles Musical Comedy Company closed Saturday night, after playing five successful months in Texas and Louisiana, the only colored show that is owned and controlled by a colored manager that has been recognized and played in white theaters. We don't mean to say that no one else could do the same, and I hope to see more colored shows out next season, for there is a demand for one-night shows in this part of the country; but I'd advise managers to not have their shows too large, as we have played with twelve people and made as big a hit as the Smart Set or Patti, and have done a big business, playing popular prices—25, 35 and 50 cents. You don't have to depend on white houses to play in; there are enough colored houses and halls well equipped to play in that the Smart Set, Patti and myself have played. My show is booked solid next season—eighty-one nights; some of the larger towns we play two nights. I hope to see next season several more colored shows traveling. "Competition is the 'life of trade.'" I will be glad to assist any manager in routing his show next season. My summer address will be Chicago Hotel, New Orleans, La. I will open my summer show in New Orleans on May 4. Among the performers who will remain with the show this summer are Miss Eula Jackson, leading lady, of Dallas, Tex.; Freddy Mosely, Geo. Thomas, music director; Fanny Davis; Frank Williams, our advance man; Florence Rodess. Sweety May joined the show for rehearsal. John Galowe, write me.

ODIN, ILL.

A Few Notes of Chas. Geyer Minstrels (Dandy Dixie).

All people that wrote to the show for work and addressed their mail to Cairo, Ill., please write again. We were in the floods around there and did not get the mail for two weeks, and it was then too old to answer. We still want baritone, tuba, clarinet, cornet, trombone to fill our twenty-piece band. We can use all kinds of performers that can double in band, also a few ladies for first part and chorus. This show opened just a year ago in Harvey, Ill., and has been running steady ever since; under canvas and two Pullman cars. We are now in Ilinos, near St. Louis, coming up from the southern coast of Texas. We have had our share of floods and lost a great many towns and rain, cold weather, etc., but we are still in the running. And now the weather is clearing up and we want to make this the biggest and best minstrel show in America. Therefore, we want the best in the minstrel line. No others need apply.

Everything we have over here looks like we have money. As it takes money to frame up like this show is. People that have never seen the show don't know what we are and those who have seen us give us a clear field thereafter, as we can hold our own in every way with any minstrel show traveling. This is a show that does not owe a cent to anyone and never did. The manager of this show has been running shows for thirty years and does not owe a cent to any man in the world, and has always made money and lots of it. He knows how to put up a show to get the business and is not afraid to invest a few thousand dollars to make it a moneygetter. This show has two elegant cars, three meals a day; everybody sleeps single, and as long as they like, day or night; steam heat when weather is cold; hot and cold water in each car at all wash stands; six shows a week, no matinees or Sunday shows; parade daily at noon; performers and musicians do not work on canvas; waterproof tent. All those that have written, write again, care the National Printing Co., Seventh and Elm streets, St. Louis, Mo. State your very lowest salary; we pay all expenses over here, so make it right, as we pay in money and not drinks or promises.

THE DREAMLAND THEATER, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

S. R. O. every night at the Dreamland theater, San Antonio. Since Jolly Davis appears before the footlights again, he is bringing white and colored out. Jessie Burney, southern coon shouter, leaves the house in an uproar at every performance. Thomas Jackson and Mazie Davis are doing twenty-five minutes, closing their act with "When the Moon Swinbs Low," which went big. Mrs. Alice Salsby with her sweet soprano voice, is doing twelve minutes, with great success. Frank Kiefe, whistling listen to the mocking bird emo, Featured act, zfifl ETAO SHRDL DaF "That's How I Need You." Featured act Jolly Davis & Co., Johnnie Jones, the candy kid, the swellest coon from Louisiana. Mr. A. Rascho, our manager, would like to hear from all big acts, also singers and teams. None too big to play this house. Address A. Rascho, Mgr., Jolly Davis Producer.

THE LAVITA SHOW.

The Lavita show is playing to large crowds at Lexington, Mo., at each performance. Prof. Harry St. Clair and his band of ten pieces are making good, playing all the latest hits. Mrs. Bertha St. Clair sends her regards to all of her friends.

The band is composed of Harry St. Clair, Tom Stirman, Ruby Smith, Nath. Stirman, Wm. R. Bell, James T. Jackson, Elmer Rucker, Edw. Lankford, J. W. Wright and P. T. Watts.

THE NEW YALE THEATER.

Oklahoma City, Okla.

The Yale is offering this week, Coleman and Coleman, Hart and Hart and Christian and Christian. Mrs. Christian opeend the bil land took two heavy encores. Hart and Hart came next in their singing and dancing sketch and went fine. Happy Zeke, that funny comedian, was a hit on the bill. He was booked for two weeks but the manager of the Yale says he must stay three, or more. Then came Will Phelps (white) with his high class novelty act and he scored wonderfully. Coleman and Coleman then brought up the rear with a strong singing and talking sketch. Mr. Coleman is sure an original comedian and he knows how to put things over, and you are sure to laugh with joy. They took three encores and then left with the audience in screams. A two-act comedy-drama, entitled "Amos Jackson Lost at the Railway Station," closed the bill, Coleman playing Amos Jackson. All the scenery was especially for this act, and it was good. Three reels of motion pictures. All is well and the weather is fine. Change of program every Monday evening and Thursday evening; some class to the Yale theater. This jolly bunch sends regards to all The Freeman readers.

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR.

P. L. Jenkins Writes from Waco, Tex.

We are still in Texas and all are well and happy, we are experiencing the most ideal weather, the kind the poets laud so highly....Mr. Jessie Campbell, premier tenor vocalist, joined our forces at Rockdale, Tex., April 6th, and is easily scoring nightly singing, "You are the Ideal of my Dreams."....Mr. Amos L. Gilliard, trombone soloist, known as the "black adonis," is still one of the features of Prof. McCammons noonday concerts; he sends rebards to all friends.... Mr. Clifton C. Boyd (Kid Wood), the marvelous little contortionist who has created a furore of excitement through the sunny south by his marvelous bending is still a bright light in our finest ever Olio....Mr. Mose McQuitty the tall man with the big York brass continues to wear a broad smile; he sends regards to all.... Mr. Chas. Laurendine the little Alabama drummer has just received a new set of traps and is proceeding to drum as never before....Uncle G. B. Brooks, the grand old man with the E flat cornet, wishes to be remembered to H. Q. Clark and Geo. Daye, also to Mr. Boyd Harris.

MARSHALL AND TRIBLE TURN AWAY PEOPLE AT GRAND THEATER.

Jack Johnson Makes Public Speech at Pompei Cafe—Items Along the Stroll.

Chicago, Ill., April 15:

The Grand.

Matt Marshall, one of the most widely known men in vaudeville and a favorite in Chicago, was seen at Thirty-first and State streets on Monday. In the afternoon the Grand hung out the sign that Tribble and Marshall were headliners on the bill for the first half. There was a rush at the ox office for tickets, for the theater going public had long ago learned to admire Marshall, and for Tribble; he is the top notcher in his line. It was a splendid thinb for the Grand to have a colored bill, and a good one lik the above always packs the house. The last time Mr. Marshall was here he was with his old friend, Harrison Stewart. Now that etaoin shrdlu etaoin shrdlu cmfwypeta Mr. Marshall is with Mr. Trible, they have an act that is a cyclone of fun. They not only stopped the show, but Mr. Marshall was forced to make a short speech and it was as humorous as his acting. The act is entitled "The Troubles of Sambo and Dianah." They kept the house roaring with laughter from the time they came on until the last moment on the stage. Marshall's dancing and Tribble's dress and mannerisms, all his own, have been worked out in a most artistic manner; he is the funniest Topsy we ever saw. Both are looking well and report that they have been very successful and going big wherever played. The show opens with a school scene that was a corker. Laddie Hale, the celebrated violin player, who is a favorite of the Grand, made his return, playing several musical instruments. Luckie and Yoast in a musical comedy, the "Jealous Lovers," was another very amusing number. The bill closed with a novelty tumbling and whirlwind act that was a knockout. The bill was a good one. Let us have more of them with a good colored act and the house will do a thriving business.

The Monogram.

The Monogram has a one-legged man on the bill this week, Mr. George Richardson. He does a line of talk and sings "Gabby Glide," "Don't Quit Your Job" and "Floating Down the Alabama." Good, clean act and well received. Stafford and Leggett open with the "Band, Band, Band." "If You Talk in Your Speel," "That's How I need Thee" and "The Robert E. Lee" is the closing number. Stafford is a clever buck dancer. A new face along the "stroll" was "Letepha," whatever that is, was dressed as a Spaniard, but she belongs to us. She sang "Santiago" and did a Spanish dance nicely, dancing just a little suggestive. The Patterson Trio closed the bill and as usual made a hit. Mr. Patterson's playing on the violin was a knockout. He played such rags as "Easy Rider" and "Turkish Towell." Next week the Monogram will have Johnny Woods, the Porters, Edwards and Hardee and Blanche Williams.

Notes.

Matt Housely, the popular vaudevillian, was in the city this week and was the guest of several "dolls" at the Pompeiian on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Housely looks well and is very much pleased with the Windy City.

U. S. Thompson will leave the last of the week to join P. G. Lowery's band with the Wallace circus.

Mr. Steve Peyton had an attack of rheumatism the first of the week and was seen using a stick. He is thinking seriously of going to Mr. Waddy's at West Baden Springs, Ind., to take the baths.

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Many of the cabaret singers are out of work on account of several of the cafes being closed by Mayor Harrison on account of investigations being made by the senate committee.

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Mr. Faulkner, the newsdealer, Thirty-first and State streets, heard from the Carolina Jubilee Singers this week. Carter and Frazer are the proprietors and Mr. W. R. Carter is the manager. Mr. Carter writes that they will be in the city on Sunday and that their summer season will begin June 1, when they will go on chautauqua work. The organization, writes Mr. Frazer, has been very successful this season.

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The Danabagay will hold fort on May 29 at Oakland Music Hall. Mr. Frank P. George will be assisted this year by Miss St. Clair White, the celebrated violin player. Miss White, who is in vaudeville with her mother, has cancelled that week and will give that time to the study of the act which she and Mr. George will be the feature in on that evening. Last year, the Danabagay was the greatest success in its history, and Mr. George states that this year it will even surpass the last success. The Freeman is one of the best friends of Mr. George and we wish him great success.

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The Pompei cafe had another big time on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Joe Showcraft, the manager, had a number of the best cabaret singers to appear on the program. Mr. Jack Johnson made a speech. We are prone to believe that it is what Mr. Johnson says and is continually saying that is hurting us more than his acts. There were some phases of his speech that might be left unsaid. Had a white reporter been there, we would have again seen big black headlines in the dailies about what Jack Johnson said on the race question. Of course, his remarks were applauded by the crowd that heard him, but oh, how he is hurting the other classes of substantial citizens of this city. "At this stage of the game" it does not pay to be standing up in public defending why one marries a white person. The program was an excellent one. Many of the favorites of the city were present. Messrs. McCain and Showcraft are to be congratulated for the success they are having and this is due largely to the popularity of our genial friend, Joe Showcraft.

Miss Madolean Cooper, better known as "Kinky Doo," was one of the features at the Pompei on Tuesday afternoon.

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Dave Peyton's orchestra furnished music for the Pompei on Tuesday. Mr. Dorsey and his wife were observers at the cabaret on Tuesday.

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DeKoven Thompson and Madam Marie Hyram will have a concert at Bethel church on Monday night. Mr. Harrison Emanuel will have a concert downtown on Monday night of next week.

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Miss Ruth Belmont, of the Mineral Springs cafe, is at Provident hospital with an attack of appendicitis. Dr. White states that she is doing fine and may not have to undergo an operation. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery. Quite a number of her friends have called to see her and brought her flowers and fruit.

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Miss Josephine Davis, of the Monogram theater, expects to spend her vacation in the East this summer.

FOSTER AND HIS FAMOUS BALL TEAM.

Due April 26 and Will Play on April 27 at Schorling Park.

Chicago, Ill.

Word was received in Chicago on Tuesday, April 15, that Rube Foster and his famous American Giants would be in the city April 26th, and would play their first game April 27.

Box 23 has been reserved by Mr. Foster for the Freeman representative.

BASEBALL OPENING.

Ft. Worth vs. Dallas—Game Witnessed by Several Thousand Eager and Enthusiastic Fans.

The fans and admirers of baseball watched with eagerness and seemed well pleased with Managers Wells and Griffin's offerings for the 1913 season of young stock. Several brilliant plays were made and the pill shunters of both teams made an impression that is more lasting than heretofore. The bright sunshine brought the people from far and near. The Giants showed lack of training and the score was 9 to 4 in favor of Ft. Worth. There were plenty of rooters on hand.

ROUTE.

THE BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY—Baltimore, Md., April 21 to 26.

J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTRELS—Elk City, Okla., April 21; Mangum, 22; Altus, 23; Eldorado, 24; Olustee, 25; Snyder, 26.

B. E. EDWARDS' MANHATTAN STOCK CO.—Morton theater, Athens, Ga., indefinite.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Blue Billie	The McDows
Brooks and Brown	McCloudy, Harry
Browner Thomas	Matthews Alvin
Branham, Rosetta	Martin, Jerry
Bostwick, Billy	Miller, Robert
Brown, Rastus	Olden, Charlie
Barrister, Jack	Overstreet W. Benbow
Brown, Clarence	Pugh and Pugh
Bryant, Archie	Payton, Clifton
Butler, G. E.	Pickett, Dave
Clark, H. A.	Puggsley, L. E.
Clark, Eugene	Perryman, Frank
Cumby Billy	Reed, Elwood
Conley, J. A.	Ross, Geo.
Campbell, J. H.	Roberson, Harry
Cash, Will	Saucy, Ollie
Davis, Fred	Smith, John
Eldridge, Willie	Sefus and Sefus
Frazier Happy	Smith A. J.
Ferris, Bismark	Stone, E.
Fields, Henry	Stewart, R. H.
Gant, Perry	Sherman, Nathan
Gibson, Leroy	Sweatman, W. C.
Gilmore, Euddie	Sutton, H. J.
Graham, Frank	Smith, James
Hamilton, Geo.	Thomas, Geo.
Harris Chas. J	Thomson, T.
Hunt, Hi Henry	Wilson, J. R.
Hill, W. C.	Williams, George H
Jackson, Kilmer H.	Watts, Billy
Jones, Archie	Williams G H
Knox, LeRoy	Wilds Isiah
Kennedy, Sam W.	Walcott F. S.
Lee, Walter	Wilkerson, Geo.
Larkins John	Wright, A. A.
Lewis and Lewis	Webb, Jeff
Lewis, John E.	
Miller, Frank	

Ladies' List.

Brown, Lavinia B.	Harris Miss Susie
Brown Miss Rosie	Jones, Julia
Beechum, Blanche	House, Carrie
Crawford, Virginia	Hulett, Mrs. Lena
Cook, Susie	Price, Ludell
Denton, Lula	Smith, Miss Bessie
Derbon, Mrs. T.	Smith, Miss Estelle
Ennis, Mrs. W. R.	Townsend, Mary
English, Dora	Taylor Jennie
Garland, Hattie	Taylor, Nettie
Howard, Mrs. Nettie	Thompson, Lizzie
Hall, Carrie Mae	Venable, Miss Willie
Hill, Mrs. Lila	Wilson, Ruth

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Mance McDaniel is now working single. Will join the Manhattan Stock Company in Athens, Ga., Monday April 14. B. E. Edwards, manager.

Buddie Glenn, the veteran comedian, is enjoying splendid health in Tampa, Fla. Would like to hear from Glenn and Glenn, and sends best regards to all friends in and out of the profession. His address is 1129 Central avenue, Tampa, Fla.

Four Brass Men are in their third week on the United time. Portland, Me., 10, 11 12; Pawtucket, R. I., 14, 15, 16; Woonsocket, R. I., 17, 18, 19; Fitchburg, Mass., 21, 22, 23. We have not heard from C. P. for quite a while. Please write us, old pal. Regards to all, and don't be afraid to write, as we still correspond with jigwaks. Marsh Craig, write, we like you, for you ar eall to the mustard, old chap.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

(By S. Tutt Whitney.)

Mammy's Lullaby.

Hesh-a-bye! ma little honey,
Close yo' eyes en sleep;
Mammy's gwine to lay rite side you
While de angels keep
Der silent watch above, t' guard you
frum all harm.
Hesh-a-bye! en cuddle closer, on yo'
mamy's arm.

Hesh-a-bye! you little rascal!
I don seen you peep
Out frum 'neaf yo' chubby arm
To see if mammy's sleep.
How you spec' you gwine to fool me,
when yo' eye's so bright
Dey jes bresh away de darkness, like de
stars at night.

Hesh-a-bye! ma little honey,
Res' here while you can;
Bime-bye you is gwine to grow
An' be a great big man;
Den when life grows cold en dreary,
dere'll be no place to res.'
Dat is safe, en warm, en comfy, like yo'
mammys bres'.

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Tide-Water Virginia.

The largest crowd that ever greeted a Smart Set company in Newport News, turned out to see the Darktown Politician. The audience was conspicuous for the large number of whites that were in attendance. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that the Darktown Politician was the best show a Smart Set company had ever presented in Newport News.

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Frank Jackson, a principal member of the company from Newport News, was accorded a royal reception.

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Col. Matt Lewis is still the successful manager of the S. H. Dudley Theater, and Mrs. Lillian Lewis makes the We-Us Hotel so homelike that performers have no desire to stop elsewhere.

Norfolk, Va.

The company played to two capacity audiences at the Majestic, a white theater, under the management of Jake Wells.

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Miss L. Scott gave a sumptuous dinner for the company at her private residence.

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Mr. Charles Mosley, the successful manager of the Pekin Theater, entertained several members of the company after the night's show, in his palatial flat. Mr. Mosley finds that the present Pekin Theater is too small to accommodate his patrons and has completed arrangements to build a much larger theater in the very near future.

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Mr. Lem Bright is still the genial proprietor of the beautiful Mt. Vernon Hotel. Mr. Bright gave a banquet in honor of Dr. W. E. Burghardt DuBois, the great scholar, author and educator. "Yours Truly" had the honor of being present, seated at the right hand of the distinguished guest. Other prominent men present were Rev. Dr. Hunter, Dr. Byrd P. B. Young, R. C. Stuk, W. Camp, Charles S. Carter, C. A. Dogan, Lawyer W. H. C. Brown, Dr. L. C. Paey and Lem Bright.

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Mr. Van Buskirk has made the Globe a paying proposition. He is ever on the lookout for good colored acts and willing to pay for the same. The week of the 24th he offered S. H. Dudley's stellar attraction, The Griffin Sisters, to standing room only. This team is one of the best drawing cards in vaudeville and merit their success. Another act on the bill deserving special mention was the Two Pewees in a singing, dancing and juggling act.

FRANC'S SHOWS.

Franc's Shows, as usual, are doing well and drawing the crowds. Played to S. R. O. on Monday night at Greenwood, S. C. Bonnie Thomas is making a big hit in "Robert E. Lee," which she is featuring. LeRoy White keeps the crowds screaming with his witty sayings and funny songs.

Richard Wallace and his band get the crowd on the streets.

All are doing fine and would like to hear from their many friends at Union, S. C., during the week of April 14.

FRANK L. HAMILTON TO BECOME BENEDICT

(Special to The Freeman)

ST. PAUL, April 8.—According to rumor, Mr. Frank L. Hamilton, the new president of the Appomattox Club, Chicago, is about to quit bachelorhood and become a benedict. The lady mentioned is a resident of Cleveland, O., and has the distinction of being the only woman of the race holding a responsible clerical position in that city.

BISHOP C. H. PHILLIPS PREACHES COMMENCEMENT SERMON AT MEETING.

(Special to The Freeman

Bishop C. H. Phillips of the C. M. E. Church has accepted the invitation to deliver the commencement sermon of Meharry Medical College on April 20 in Meharry auditorium at 11 a. m. He and his son, Dr. C. H. Phillips, Jr., of St. Louis, Mo., are graduates from Walden and Meharry. His younger son, a graduate of Fisk University, is a member of the graduating class and during his junior year passed the Tennessee Medical Board examination with a high average. Bishop Phillips is a noted pulpiteer and will do justice to the occasion.

FRANC'S SHOW.

This show is making a hit all along the line and is rightly named as being an "organization of thirty colored favorites," for they all make good and receive encore after encore and are given great ovations wherever they may be, the last one being a banquet and dance given them by the colored citizens of Chester, S. C. This show is composed of all headliners in the profession, such as Bonnie Belle Thomas, LeRoy White, C. B. Drew, Alice Edwards, Katherin Flemming, Aaron Pace, Lillie Brown, Lillie Moore, Georgre Mack and others.

The band, under the direction of Richard Wallace, receives many encores in rendering its selections. Everyone on the show is well and seemingly happy, and all wear a pleasant smile and would be pleased to hear from their many friends at Greenwood, S. C., during the week of April 7.

PICCANINNY TROUBADOURS.

Headed by "Valada, The Great."

"The Piccaninny Troubadours" arrived safely in Chickasha, Okla., last week and played to S. R. O. nightly. Everybody says "it is the best show that ever exhibited" in each and every town they play in. They are under the stage direction of Mr. Harry Bell and the orchestra is under the direction of Valada the Great, the wizard of the violin, the seven-year-old wonder that created such a sensation in Cuba two seasons ago. Drums, Mr. Charley Stone of Little Rock; trombone, Master Lawrence Ford; pianist, Madame Charlesetta Wiley; cornet, Madame Snow, and cello, Master William eKith. They are a tornado wherever they strike and bring havoc on the most fictitious pocketbook. Mr. John V. Snow, owner and proprietor, is all smiles, and says Oklahoma is not so bad after all. Mr. Henry Drake engaged the Piccaninny Troupe to open the new Yale Theater in Oklahoma City last week and they played to capacity houses when they left the city. An early return is anticipated. Mr. Drake speaks highly of their drawing qualities.

THE NEW YALE THEATER, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

Mr. Henry Drake, the original "La, La, Pop," and T. B. White, owners and managers of the new Yale Theater, offered last week for its grand opening J. V. Snow's Piccaninnies, a company of twenty piccaninnies. The performance was a scream from start to finish and the theater was packed and jammed every night. They was only 700 people out on the opening night to witness the great productions that were featured by the troubadours. They were all good. Little Valada the Great is the star of the company and was repeatedly encored each performance. Hound Head Harry is cleaning up with his buck dancing and Harry Bell is making many friends singing his funny song, "I'm Ragged But I'm Round Here." Mr. Drake can use good vaudeville performers at all times so make up and get busy, read The Freeman and watch us grow. Would like to hear from Patterson and Patterson at once.

EASTERN THEATER NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

The grand prize musical and reception given last Thursday by the Billy Ward Association was a grand success. The guests were entertained with high-class vaudeville between the dances and two first orchestras furnished the dance music. The Billy Ward Association is composed of Brooklynites and the affair was said to be one of the best ever given in Brooklyn.

Criswell and Bailey scored a big success last week at the Lincoln Theater, New York, after playing through the South, where the act was a scream on every bill. These two artists should get on the big time through the East.

Homer Lutt and Salem Lutt Whitney and Blanche Thompson, with their big chorus of twenty-five people, are certainly drawing crowded houses this week at the Lafayette Theater, New York. The Southern Smart Set company is one of the best colored companies on the road. I caught the show Monday night and will say that the chorus reminds me of Cole & Johnson's Red Moon company. Salem Lutt Whitney is some comedian and J. Homer Lutt playing straight. These stars certainly shine. Miss Blanche Howell is reported to be getting along nicely and we hope to see her enjoying the best of health in a few weeks. She sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Mme. Moorman, the soprano soloist, has joined Billy Ward's Funny Folks Minstrels.

The Sambo Girls were on the bill at the Monticello Theater, Jersey City, this week.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE DUDLEY CIRCUITE.

Week April 7, 1913.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theater, Lew W. Henry, manager: Miss Hester Kenton, love and love, Chick Owens. Fairland Theater—Frank Kearney, manager: Musicale Seminoles, the Hillmans.

ePtersburg, Va.—Idle Hour Theater, Pat Northington, manager: Brown and DuMount, George Byrd.

Richmond, Va.—Dixie Theater, Walter J. Coulter, manager: Peat and Hayes, Daisy Collins. Hippodrome Theater opens April 14 with the Griffin Sisters and Pewees, Morton and Allen.

Norfolk, Va.—Globe Theater, J. Van Buskirk, manager: Baby Jim, the Mills Sisters, Princess Sotanka.

Newport News, Va.—The Dudley Theater, Matt Lewis, manager: The Griffin Sisters and two other big acts.

Louisville, Ky. — The Ruby Theater opens its door about May 15 with high-class vaudeville.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle Theater, Geo. Bundy, manager: Poter and Dewey and Susie Sutton and three other acts.

Baltimore, Md.—Tom Smith's Cabaretta Show, Jeff DeMount, manager: Floyd and Webster and Jeff DeMount Stock company.

Wilmington, N. C.—Queen Theater, Morris Whippler, manager: Minus and Bryant and a big stock company.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Star Theater, Abe Minsky, manager: Three big acts of vaudeville.

MADAME HACKLEY AT ATLANTA, GA.

Atlanta Baptist College Students' Musical Recital.

There were nearly 4,000 people in the auditorium of the Armory Friday night. The features were the male chorus of 250 voices, the first time in our history of such an aggregation of male voices. All were students of Atlanta Baptist College. Also an orchestra, glee club, quartet, piano, vocal and trombone solos—all students. The program was composed mostly of new selections, excepting three melodies and the "Swanee River." All were committed in less than two weeks.

Colored composers represented were R. Nathaniel Dett in magnolia suite for piano; Will Marion Cook, Rosamond Johnson, Harry Burleigh and Clarence Cameron White in songs.

The whole program aimed to show what colored youth could do. Gave a similar program at Hampton recently.

It was a courageous effort on the part of President John Hope, of Atlanta Baptist College, to launch such a progressive, educational entertainment.

The immense audience that responded proves the esteem in which Atlanta holds the college and the faith it has in it. This immense audience also shows the progressive spirit of Atlanta citizens. Since Mme. Hackley had contributed her services for the two weeks there was no effort to reap financial gain. Popular prices of 25 cents and 50 cents were charged.

It was a most remarkable audience in several respects. The late comers "patiently" waited at the door until ushers permitted them to be seated, and they fairly "tip-toed" to their seats. Although nearly one thousand public school children and orphans were the guests of the college one could have heard a pin drop, not only during the rendition of the program, but while Mme. Hackley put the chorus through the vocal exercises.

Atlanta deserves congratulations for her progressive spirit.

Mme. E. Agalia Hackley directed the whole affair, ably assisted by Mr. Kemper Harreld, the musical director of the college.

The Atlanta Baptist College "boys" presented Mme. Hackley with a beautiful sterling silver chain and coin purse and a boquet of four dozen pink carnations.

The affair not only marks an era in the musical affairs of Atlanta's colored population, but it also marks an era in the race's musical history.

THE PASSING SHOW AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

The Howard University Dramatic Club is planning to present an al fresco play in May on the University campus. Manager William Winthorp announces that the piece selected may be W. Edgar Easton's military spectacle, "Dessalines," made famous in many parts of the country by that sterling actress, Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis. As Miss Davis is letter perfect in the various parts, as well as in the stellar female role, it is probable that she may be invited to superintend the staging of the drama for the University club.

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Miss Maybelle Brown, marooned at Dayton, Ohio, during the week of the flood, has joined her sister, Miss Babe Brown, at Cincvinnati. They are coming eastward by eosy stages. They may be seen next season with the Southern Smart Set, of which they were charter members.

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eorge J. Dawson, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., a violinist and musiral director of note, has completed a musical comedy entitled "La Collation," which is said to abound in rich music and fine comedy effects. It is in three acts and has been protected by a copyright filed with the government. Mr. Dawson expects to arrange for an ebalorate presentation of his play early in the fall at the Howard theater. Mr. Dawson is also a poet of considerable promise and is about to issue a volume of dialect and sentimental lyrics under the caption of "Leisure Gleanings."

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Frank Fowler Brown, the well-known lyric tenor, is taking five and six encores nightly this week at the Howard theater, where he has made a tremendous success. He is using sentimental ballads, an Indian song and other selections that admirably display his magnificent voice. Mr. Brown was introduced to Washington's representative audiences through his connection with Cole and Johnson's famous "Red Moon." Sunday evening Mr. Brown in company with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson was guest of honor at a box party at the Howard, tendered by Manager A. J. Thomas.

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The office of the S. H. Dudley amusement enterprise is now located at 718 Florida avenue, N. W.

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Bennie Hutchinson and Frank B. Williams, both Washington boys, are doing fine this week at the Howard.

COLUMBIA, MO.—MAJESTIC THEATER.

(Horne & Johnson, Props. and Mgrs.)

On account of bad-weather we closed the theater for one week. This week we open with the Dixie Trio, and from the inquiries we have had from the different ones wanting to know when we expected to open we look for an awful good week. Mrs. W. L. Horne and H. Johnson took advantage of the theater being closed and went home on a visit. Prof. Horne has a twenty-piece band and says he expects to have a band concert one night next week at the theater. He would be glad to hear from vaudeville teams and stock companies at all times. Would be glad to hear from the Langfords.

SEEN AND HEAD WHILE PASSING.

A Short Story Taken From Life by S. Tutt Whitney.

The "Has-Beens."

Winter wts King. For more than a week man and beast and the elements had bowed to his royal mandate. The city was securely shackled by his icy tenacles. A policeman shivered as he consulted the thermometer at the corner drug store, for it told him that this night was the coldest of the year.

The streets were almost deserted. Occupants of the trolley cars sat huddled in the corners, frequently attempting to locate their streets through the frosted panes of the car windows. Belated pedestrians, thickly muffled, hurried homeward, hugging closely the buildings that afforded the msoem protection from the howling wind; their steps accelerated by the thoughts of home, a hot fire and a steaming coffee pot.

Upon the network of overhead wires the wind played a fretful tune, now rising "vivimente" to a shrieking "fortissimo," now subsiding "rallentando" into a melancholy "candence"; while the wagon wheels upon the frosted snow screeched a discordant "obligato." The incidental music to a winter night's drama.

The Signor was returning from a benefit that had been given for the Madame and himself. The violence of the storm had made it necessary for the Madame to remain at home. The Madame and the Signor were "has-beens." It took many years—bitter years—to convince them that this was true. Too late "hard times" had taught the mthe value of a dollar; now the Signor was walking home to save cab fare. A light fall overcoat furnished him scant protection from the chilling blasts. His hands were thrust in the shallow pockets of the coat, but the cruel wind cut his wrists like handcuffs of frozen steel. An out-of-date silk hat was pulled low and tight upon his head. He was nearly home and his eyes glamed with a happy light as he thought of the good news he had for Madame. Walking in the shelter of a high building made hi mforget the raging storm, and his steps were firm and his head held high in proud defiance of time and season.

But the Signor had not reckoned on the malignity of King Winter, for, as he left the shelter of the building to cross the street, he was smitten by a furious blast of snow and sleet. The swirl enveloped and almost smothered him. Icy particles stung and cut his face like electric needles. The violence of the assault staggered the old man; for a moment he stood wavering upon the edge of the ice-coated curb, when suddenly both feet slipped from beneath him and he fell, with a dull thud, upon the pavement. With a shriek of malicious triumph, the wind seized his silk hat, lifted it high in the air, then dashed it fiercely to the frozen street, where it rolled and bounded by a sinuous route into an alley, there to be tightly wedged between a garbage can and the brick wall, a battered relic of better days. Like the Signor, it was a "has-been."

The policeman, who had just left his warm retreat to report his "rounds" at the corner patrol box, noticed the figure of the Signor lying upon the sidewalk. "Another drunk," was the officer's thought until he saw the light shimmering upon the white hair of the old man. Then he hurried to his assistance. The fall had only stunned the Signor. The policeman lifted him carefully to his feet, and after a few moments he was able to stand unaided. Leaning upon the officer's arm, the Signor walked the short distance to his home. At the door they wished each other a cheery good night. As the door was opened a shaft of yellow light lanced the gloom of the little street; from within could be heard the low tremelo of a woman's voice. For a moment the figure of the Signor was silhouetted upon the wall of the opposite house, then the door was closed. Angry at being robbed of its victim, the wind hurled itself against the door and rattled the windows in their casings in a futile attack upon the Signor's stronghold.

The Madame arose as the Signor entered and he kissed her on the forehead; these two had never ceased to be sweethearts. Their decline in popularity and a subsequent decrease in good fortune had only made them cling more closely one to the other.

"Where is your hat?" asked the Madame. Then she noticed the snow caked upon his coat and trousers. "Oh! you fell upon the street! Are you hurt?" She questioned anxiously.

"No, no!" he hastened to assure her. "I slipped on the ice and fell, jarred me a little; nothing to worry about, dear."

Consoled by his assurances she removed his coat. "I know you are cold," she said. "Here are your slippers. Come, sit before the fire and warm your feet."

There they sat, side by side, and gazed at the fire in the glowing grate. Neither the man nor the woman noticed that the oil in the lamp was low, nor that its flame was gradually lessening, until at last, after a few spasmodic jumpings, it sputtered and went out. The flickering light from the grate fire cast strange and grotesque figures upon the walls of the one room; the only home of the Madame and the Signor.

They sat there in silence, conscious only of each other's presence, while the scenes of their early career past in rapid kalaidoscopic view before their unseeing eyes.

They remembered when first they met. It was while they were abroad. The Madame, still in her teens, had finished her studies with honor and made her debut as a great soprano. Possessing a wonderful voice and a magnetic personality, her success was instantaneous. The Signor was a promising baritone. He met the Madame at her debut. Their love was mutual; the courtship brief; they soon married. Together they toured Europe. Everywhere they were in great demand. They sang before most of the crowned heads, who showered them with gifts and pinned medals of honor upon their breasts. In America their success was equally as great. Money flowed to them in a golden stream. Ah! those were happy years—happy, thoughtless years. They gratified every wish that could be obtained by money. With money, friends, honor and popularity, why think of the future. Some day we will lay aside something for a rainy day, thought they; but now, not now.

So the years flew by—precious years—wasted years. Then—then the unexpected happened. Madame was seized with a serious throat infection that refused to yield to the treatment of the most renowned specialists. Engagements had to be canceled. They traveled to many places to consult many physicians. This cost money, a great deal of money. It was all going out and nothing coming in now. Their cash was soon gone; they were forced to borrow. Then it was they made a startling discovery, their friends were also gone. The Signor received a few engagements, a very few; the public did not want the Signor without the Madame.

"Hope springs eternal in the human breast." The Signor had never ceased to hope for Madame's recovery. Five years passed—sighing years, trying years—then the specialist said Madame could sing again. The Signor was happy. Again he would see the crowds surging and pushing at the box office windows. Again they would live those golden years—years of ease and luxury, only—only this time they would lay away something for the rainy day—the unexpected.

But they soon learned the fickleness of the public. Their past triumphs had become a memory. Other singers had replaced them in popularity. They were no longer in demand. After much effort they obtained a concert. It was after this concert that the Signor first heard the word "has-beens." He was placing the Madame in a carriage when he heard the remark, carelessly made by a bystander: "Oh/ they're 'has-bens;' they can't sing any more." The Signor staggered as if the speaker had struck him a blow upon his face. He hoped the Madame had not hoard it. "Has-bens," impossible! Why the Madame had never sung better in her life, he told himself. "Has-beens," "has-beens." The word burned itself upon his subconscious brain until the horses' hoofs as they pounded upon the paved streets said: "Has-beens," "has-beens." When they had reached their rooms the little clock on the mantle said: "Tick-tock, has-beens; tick-tock, has-beens."

The years passed slowly—lean, wery years. They were forced to teach voice culture for their living. In those fat years—delightful years—they had never learned economy. Now they could never live within their income. They were always in debt; only an occasional concert, in one of the small churches, kept them from dire want.

One day as the Signor was leaving the office of an entertainment bureau he heard a gentleman ask: "Who is that old man?" He knew the reference was made to himself. Oh, the pain he suffered as the words took possession of him in their full significance. "Yes," he murmured, "I am an old man; how strange I never thought of it before. And the Madame, to others she must be an old woman, but never old to me—never. The love in my heart will always keep her young to me—always."

Another night, even as this night, they had sat side by side, hand in hand, when the Madame had said: "Signor, we are old 'has beens.'" "Don't, dear, it hurts," he had answered. "Yes, I know how very, very much it hurts," Madame had replied, "but it hurts less when once one has acknowledged it to oneself." Then she had continued: "We were so thoughtless, you and I, we never looked forward to this blighting of our rosy dreams; now we are old, unequal to the struggle for existence. It can have but one ending—the old folks' home or the poor——" "Don't," had answered the Signor. "I can't stand to even think of it. Never—never to the last—better death than that."

Then it was they began to save, they who had squandered a fortune in those golden years—plenteous years—hoarded their pennies, counting the days that it would take to accumulate the fee that would allow them the privilege of ending their years—decliling years—in the old folks' home.

An unconscious sigh from the Madame awoke the Signor from his dreams of the past. Tenderly he drew her heard towards him and pillowed it upon his breast. "It is alright, dear," he murmured, "the benefit tonight raised the required amount. Tomorrow we will go." His voice grew hoarse from suppressed emotion as he continued. "It won't matter much so long as we are together."

"Always together," she whispered.

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It was autumn. The leaves fluttered earthward in golden showers, carpeting the lawn of the old folks' home with variegated hues of red and yellow. The meadows were burned brown by the heat of summer sun. A robin redbreast that was perched on the limb of a tree, after a lingering look at its early season's nest, flew away with its head pointed southward. Busy bees flew hurriedly about in search of such flowers as were yet blooming, anxious to complete their winter's store. A thin haze filled the atmosphere, and one saw the sun as through a smoked glass. Everywhere was a mysterious stillness. Summer was dying.

On a bench beneath a maple tree sat the Maadaem and the Signor, their fingers entwined. Long and silently they gazed upon this scene of Nature's dissolution.

"It has been a long way," said the Signor.

"You have brightened the journey," the Madame whispered.

He kissed her wrinkled hand. Again there was silence between them, then she lifted the hand he had kissed so gallantly and smoothed back the silvered locks from his forehead. For a while she gazed into his eyes as if she would read his innermost thoughts, or, like one who is about to go upon a long journey and wishes to fix the object of affection indelibly upon the memory.

"Signor," she breathed, "do you love me?"

"Next to my od," he answered her fervently.

A happy smile erased the wrinkles from her face.

"Love is the only thing worth while," she whispered. "It keeps the heart young, it kept us from becoming 'has-beens' to each other." Again she looked into his eyes, then so softly he could scarcely hear: "Take me in your arms, dear. I am tired. I think I will go—to—sleep."

He looked upon that quiet face and he knew. Slowly he bent his head and kissed her furrowed brow.

"Dear Jesus, I, too, am ready," he prayed. "Then always together," he murmured, and with a peaceful sigh, he, too, fell asleep.

THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA.

The Muses in their new skit, "Hurry Up Ashes," headed the bill at the Auditorium on Monday. They play their parts with the surety of effect due to long experience on the stage and to intelligent interpretation, and had no trouble to keep the audience in a constant roar of laughter.

Lively entertainment was offered by the Four Pughs and Lillards, who are a quartet of singers and dancers. Their songs were good, and had a swing that was suited to ragging. The dancing was eccentric and spirited and kept up a lively interest.

Josephine Tobias, our favorite, remains, this being her second week. She is amusing in the singing of character songs, and offered several that were received with hearty applause.

Madge Clinton and Baby Frances did a number of new stunts that were effective. It was a bright convocation of song, dance and spectacle. Miss Clinton is clever and satisfying.

Julian Costello gave to the part of the suffraget a naturalness that made his impersonation delightful and very clever.

On account of a cold the effect of Mr. Costello's high notes was not so good when he attempted to reach the high notes.

New motion pictures filled out the program.

ECHOES FROM THE ALABAMA MINSTRELS.

While sitting in meditation, thinking of
professional friends,
An inspiration came to me, a few lines to
some I'd send.
The first that pops into my mind,
Is Madam Flowers, always Kind,
And Sam Lucas, dead old dad,
To shake your hand I'd sure feel glad.
Peat and Hayes, drop us a line;
I think you treat old friends unkind.
Well, Matatie lover, what's the reason
You're not booked for th esummer season?
C. L. Erickson, our manager, extends
His best regards to professional friends
I know, Abe Wright, this is not my line,
But I must do something to kill time.
Beechum and Kenney, what do you say?
If you send me a postcard some fine day.
Logan and Nichols, I wish you success;
Keep on trying and rank with the best.
Prof. H. L. Rawles, our bandmaster grand,
Well known through the country and proficient to command.
Before I run things in the ground,
Tell Sidney Perrin I'm Alabama bound.
And, Essie Williams, how are you?
I just must say, why, howdy-de-do.
If you want a strong foundation, start it
at the bottom,
And what it takes to arrange a chorus,
Whit Viney's surely got 'em.
Thanks, Carrie libert, the picture is cute,
And the pose, I must say, was really a
beaut.
Edith Wheeler, dear old friend,
Kindest regards to you I send.
Oh, there are lots of friends, galore,
For instance, Johnnie Jones and Eva
Moore.
Arthur L. Prince, a wise old bird,
Needs no mention, we've often heard.
I do not want to write a letter,
But I hope Bill Bradley is feeling better.
All things must come to an end,
So I'll put away my ink, lay aside my pen,
And may God be with us till we meet
again.

—Mrs. Ruth Sprague Prince.

DENTON, TEXAS.

Henry C. Bell Passes Away.

Special to The Freeman.

During the work hours of the day, in the full tide of his life, in the midst of his labors. Hon. Henry C. Bell, of this city, died Thursday afternoon. Prof. Bell was 55 years of age and came to Texas in 1885, and here he has won the confidence of his own people and commanded the respect of the whites. For over twenty years he served as principal of the colored school here, and fifteen years ago he was elected grand master for the Texas jurisdiction of the Odd Fellows, and has served in that capacity since, having never canvassed once for the office. Under his intelligent direction the order has grown from a small one of no great importance to the foremost fraternal society in the State, with a membership of over 20,000. In the fraternal field he wrought well his work, and now, when brothers want to point to a man whose daily life exemplified the principles of friendship, love and truth, they will point to a man whose career and character was as that of Henry C. Bell.

He was one of the organizers and a director at the time of his death of the Fraternal Bank and Trust Company, of Fort Worth, the largest concern of its kind in Texas; he was a stockholder in the Orgen Bank and the Orgen Realty Company, of Houston; the owner of a beautiful home, where time and time again he won almost the envy of his friends by the comforts with which he had surrounded himself and family. He was owner of the Denton Pharmacy, and editor and proprietor of the Odd Fellow Budget.

Dr. Abbington, of Dallas, assisted by Rev. J. W. Bennett, read the services, and Dr. David Abner, D. N. G., of the Household of Ruth, with Prof. H. G. Goree, acted as master of ceremonies. The little church where Prof. Bell formerly worshiped was more than crowded with distinguished persons and out-of-town visitors who came from far and near, and for whom the kind people of Denton considerately denied themselves the privilege of hearing the eulogies which told what men thought of their friend, leader and co-laborer. Representing the State Grand Lodge were: Hon. N. G. Goree, Dr. D. Abner, G. W. Jackson, J. R. Nelson, P. W. Tucker, J. H. Riddle, P. F. Dennis, C. R. Crouch, B. Y. Acock, Dr. T. Hamilton and J. P. Starkes. Among the distinguished visitors were: Hon. C. W. Day, Wm. McDonald, Dr. D. S. Moten, Prof. I. M. Terrell, Prof. S. H. Fowler, P. W. Williams, R. C. Houston, Dr. D. W. Shields, J. S. Love, and many other men of note and prominence. The press was represented by Hon. W. E. King, editor of the Dallas Express; L. A. Bell, of the Wagoner American, and Harrison M. Gilliean, of the Chisolm News Service.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—While our hearts are overwhelmed with grief and sorrow, we are not unmindful of the sympathy and many acts of kindness shown us by our neighbors and friends during the illness and at the death of our dearly beloved mother and grandmother, Annie Pope. We feel especially grateful to all for the beautiful floral offerings. To Rev. G. M. Noble for his words of consolation in our home and at the church; the officers and members of the Sons and Daughters of the Union; the organist, Mrs. Ruben Taylor; Miss Lula Johnson, for kindness in singing; the pallbearers and the funeral directors, Watson & Cooper, for their efficient services and competent management of the funeral.

THE BEREAVED FAMILY.

(In sad and loving remembrance of our mother and grandmother, who died on March 18, 1913.)

We have longed for you, dear mother,
Through all this weary day.
Our hearts are filled with sorrow,
Our eyes bedimmed with tears.
Oh, if we only had you, mother,
Our sainted mother so dear;
Our life would be so happy—
Oh, how we wish that you were here.
Your fair face beams before us
From a portrait on the wall,
That is all that is left to cheer us
Since you answered your last call.

Rest on, dear one, your care is o'er;
Your willing hands can work no more.
For when you breathed your last farewell
The blow meant more than words can tell.
Our home is quite another place
Without the smile of your dear face.

We often sit and think of you
When we are all alone;
For memory is the only thing
That grief can call its own.
Sadly missed by loving children.

MRS. N. O. MARTIN.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

Special to The Freeman.

The past week has taken her share of deaths and accidents....We are glad to see our old friend and brother, George Reed, who was injured sometime ago, able to be out again, also glad to learn that Mr. Robinson, of the S. P. R. R. Co., is improving....The different churches and societies are doing a great work in this field and we wish the mall success....An operetta was given at St. Paul's A. M. E. church Monday night, with Dr. J. G. Selby, one of our young physicians as manager. The program was as follows: Music, by Prof. W. Roach, the brilliant pianist; violin solo, by Dr. Moses, on eof our thriving dentists; trombone solo, by Mr. S. A. Harrison. The singing numbers were the best ever heard here, and were by local talent, Mrs. Bradberry, prima donna; Miss C. Thompson, soprano; Mr. G. Adamson, tenor. Selections from Shakespeare, by Mr. Wenston Davis. The attendance was very good, considering the inclement weather. The proceeds are to go to the colored hospital fund. Everyone was well pleased with the excellent program....At the civil service examination held here today, two of our prominent young men took the examination, Mr. C. S. Powell and Mr. A. Phillips. We hope they passed....All wishing The Freeman, phone Crockett 5431 or call at 126 North Cherry street....eGt the habit; read The Freeman for all the news of the race. Good or otherwise.

MT. VERNON, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Rev. C. R. Reddy, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist church, died Marach 31, at his home on Fifteenth street. He leaves a wife, mother, son, daughter and many friends. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. L. Phillips, of St. Louis. Rev. Reddy was in good financial circumstances, and we as a race will miss him. His daughter, Miss Mamie, was a student at Howard University, in Washington, D. C., at the time of his death, and arrived in time for the funeral......Mr. Edward Harper, an old citizen of Mt. Vernon, died at his home on Twelfth street, April 4. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, mother, three brothers and a host of friends. He was a faithful member of the A. M. E. Zion church, and his last request was that the funeral be conducted by Rev. Jackson, the former pastor.....Mr. G. H. Jessie, M. G. M. M., State of Illinois, made his annual visit to Forest of Lebanon Lodge No. 71, A. F. & A. M., after which he addressed the Woman's Home Mission at the C. M. E. church, where there was a reception given in his honor....Mr. J. E. Helm, who has been in Mt. Vernon for some time, has gone to his home in Belleville....Mrs. Lizzie Long, who has been in Springfield for some time, is home again....Mrs. Sarah Steel, of Cairo, is visiting her son, Rev. E. W. Chavers.

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SURE! WILSON'S A FAN; PITCHES FIRST BALL.

President Honors Game With His Presence.

WASHINGTON. — Woodrow Wilson, .300 hitter in the tariff schedule league and President of the domains of Uncle Sam, is a "fan." Not the ardent fan of the pace set by his predecessor in office, but, just the same, a fan in the stages of making. Entering office, the Democratic mogul of the country shattered all precedent by refusing passes, club memberships or any other gratuities.

He held the fort against all attacks until the annual American league pass arrived. The gold-trimmed, leather-bound card was too much for even a President. He gave way, sent his acceptance and thanks to the donor, and after sleeping over the problem awoke to the fact that it would be he, and none other than President Woodrow Wilson, President of these here United States, that throws the first pitched ball in the opening game of the season between Frank Chance's Yankees and Clark Griffith's Senators. And Wilson will not be alone, but flanked by senators, representatives and other notables to such an extent that the capitol of the United States will be temporarily removed.

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President Woodrow Wilson threw out the ball starting the game between the Washington and New York teams of the American league at Washington last Friday. He arrived at the park, accompanied by one of his daughters and Secretary Tumulty, and occupied the President's box. He seems to be an enthusiastic baseball fan, and watched the game with much interest, but threw the ball out so quickly that only one or two of the battery of camera men were prepared and got the picture.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENED IN FT. WORTH, TEXAS.

The baseball season opened Sunday with two fine teams, Fort Worth vs. Oklahoma City. The Fort Worth team was recently tendered a smoker by the manager, Chas. P. Edwards.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Crimson Stars Organized for the Coming Season.

The Crimson Stars, a colored baseball club, has been organized with one of the fastest teams in the city. They wish to hear from all teams out of the city, and hope to make a success this season, as they are all young players. Any teams wishing games write them.

CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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KID SNEAD LOSES AT LOUISVILLE. KY.

After fifteen straight victories, Kid Snead, the colored lad, met defeat at the hands of Kid Phillips, the veteran boxer. Owing to the long experience of Phillips, he was able to win over Snead on points. This is the second time that Phillips has defeated Snead, the first time being before Christmas, but the wonderful improvement which Snead has shown since that time leaves no doubt in the fans' minds but what he will develop into one of the greatest fighters since the days of Joe Gans.

BOUTS MAY BE SEEN AT TOMLINSON HALL, THIS CITY.

A new athletic club for the promotion of fistic entertainments, which plans to use Tomlinson hall for the staging of its bouts, has been organized in this city by Hugh McGann, heavyweight pugilist and boxing promoter. All of the men interested in the new venture, according to McGann, are men who hitherto have not been interested in the game, but who have plenty of money and are prepared to back the proposition to the limit. The name of the club has not been selected as yet; it is thought that either the title Nonpareil A. C. or Tomlinson Hall A. C. will be chosen.

PEORIA, ILL.

Geo. Ford Knocks His Man Out in the Third Round.

George Ford, the colored lightweight of this city, knocked out Walt McFarland in the third round of their scheduled ten-round bout. Although MccFarland outweighed Ford seven pounds, Ford found it a very easy victory, flooring his man five times. McFarland was game, but was hopelessly outclassed, Ford being his master in every stage of the game. Ford's speed and skill were marvelous and he proved that he can make the best of them step around at 133. Ford is open to all lightweights.

FRENCH LICK, IND.

The Plutos Reorganized—Beat West Baden Sprudels in Opening Game.

The famous reorganized Plutos opened the season Sunday, March 23, at Pluto park, with an 8 to 1 victory over the West Baden Sprudels. The Plutos look to be one of the strongest semi-pro clubs ever gotten together, and under the present efficient management will prove a formidable foe to the contenders for championship honors. Faetures of the game were the hitting of Cunningham and Lynch and Manager Norman's catch of a hard-hit ball from Jerome's bat. The line-ups were as follows:

Plutos — Cunningham, shortstop; DeMoss, second base; Norman, third base; More, first base; Lynch, center field; Hannon, right field; Kenard, catch; Patton, left field; McLaughlin, pitch.

Sprudels—Shirly, shortstop; C. I. Taylor, second base; O'Niel, third base; Lewis, first base; Clark, center field, Lyons, right field; Miller, catch; McMurry, left field; Bingham, pitch.

The Pluto's new catcher is certainly there with the goods, and handles himself like a big leaguer. The Spring Valley league season opened Sunday, March 30, at West Baden park.

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BOXING AT THE CROWN GARDEN THEATER, INDIANAPOLIS.

The Badger Athletic Club pulled off one of the best boxing stunts that has been seen by the fans for many years. Jack Hannibal knocked out Jack Mitchell, of Chicago, in one round; Jack Brooks knocked out Hot Rags in two rounds; Kid Black knocked out Young Benny in five rounds, and Kid Clark boxed Young Joe Gans, of California, four fast rounds.

RUNNERS TO INVADE ENGLAND.

Americans Will Try for Big Purses Across Pond.

NEW YORK.—There promises to be an invasion of England by American professional runners this year. William Queal, who is considered one of the champions on this side of the water, has already made a match with George Dinning, the English professional, who beat him in the last powder hall fifteen-mile race, for a ten-mile race at Edinburgh, at $1,000 a side.

William Koklemainen, the Polish runner, who recently joined American ranks, will sail later to compete in a half-mile handicap, at Cardiff, Wales, for one of the richest purses ever offered at this distance. Harvey Cohn has also arranged to compete. Hans Holmer, the other American, will also appear this season in English races.

BASEBALL FOLLOWS THE FLAG.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Baseball is doing more than bullets toward subjugating the warlike tribes of the Philippines, according to Elwood S. Brown, physical director of the Young Men's Christian Association at Manila, who arrived from the orient recently. Tribes that a few years ago thought of little else than an opportunity to slash the American soldier with machetes, are now trading their weapons for balls and bats, and even the head hunters of northern Luzon promise to become "fans."

"Far in the interior of the islands," said Brown, "the natives, clad in their loin cloths, are playing the game. Recently a company of constabulary landed on Jolo island and as they were making camp they heard through the jungle an awful uproar. The soldiers, believing that a village was being butchered, seized their guns and crept toward a claering whence came the noise.

"There they saw a thousand natives dancing about and yelling their heartiest. A little brown man was running madly toward a palm leaf that marked first base, and another, afterward identified as a chief, was telling the crowd that the 'hit was fair.'

"Only a few years ago this chief had given the constabulary a lot of trouble. A visit to his shack showed among his prize possessions were the photographs of some of the big league players.

"The entire younger generation of the Philippines is 'baseball crazy.' The American soldiers who introduced the game in the islands did their country a great service."

THE AMERICAN GIANTS.

What is Being Said of Them—Taking Everything In Sight On the Pacific Slope—White Press Generous.

The Amercian Giants are still reaping golden opinions on the western slope. Here follows comment from various papers and individuals reproduced without effort to give credit to publication or individuals, or to give places or dates:

Bob Brown, owner of the Vancouver B. C.) club, was i nthe grandstand yesterday, and witnessed what happened to us. He said that the colored boys would not get any speed to kill in his town. "Believe me, said Robert, "the American Giants are some team. I am not surprised that the Coast League teams sidestepped them. Perhaps we are making a mistake in playing them, but it will do our teams good to buck up against a tea mthat is in first-class condition and of major league caliber."

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Rube Foster, manager of the American Giants of Chicago, was well pleased with the treatment his team received in Seattle. He spoke highly of Pete Schneider, saying that he had shown him more than any other pitcher he had seen work on the coast. "No pitcher in the big league has more stuff than Schneider," said Foster.

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Petway, the catcher, is a magnificent thrower. If his skin was white he would be ranked with Archer of the Chicago Cubs. Raymond was the only Seattle man who stole on him yesterday. He had Tealey by ten feet at that, but the little manager evaded the touch by a hook slide. In the ninth Petway closed the game by completing a double play. With the bases full Raymond hit to Dougherty, who forced Fullerton at the pan, and Petway wheeled and drove the ball to first like a bullet ahead of Rayomnd. The ball whizzed by Tealey's head so close that it nearly clipped his curls.

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Seattle's colored population turned out in full force despite the bad weather, and Denver Ed Martin came over with a delegation from Tacoma. Some of the waiters down town were so nervous from excitement last night that many dinner dishes were broken. They surely gave the Chicago boys a noisy welcome.

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After watching the American Giants, the great team of Negroes from Chicago, in action in the rain and mud yesterday, one can well understand why some of the most prominent baseball men in the country are on record as saying that the black fellows could win the pennant in any minor league in the country and that they would be good for the first division in either of the major leagues.

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The Negroes are lightning fast, everyone of them. The track was heavy yesterday, but they made it look fast. If they ever get on a dry field they will have to run sideways to keep from flying. Every man of them is a splendid thrower; they can all hit and hit hard when they land on a fast one, and they are so fast on the bases that they hit and run most of the time, for it is practically impossible to double them. Pierce, the big first baseman, made a swinging bunt yesterday and was on first before Schneider got his paws on the ball.

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The colored Giants from Chicago massacred the white Giants from Seattle yesterday afternoon in Mr. Dugdale's back yard. About 5,000 bugs, fully half of whom were women, enjoyed the spectacle. The final score was 17 to 7.

Twenty hits, including eight doubles and three homers, were grabbed by the Black Demons. Make a wild throw, and all come home.

In the last spasm the locals scored three runs on four hits, which made their afternoon's work look a trifle better, but Mr. Gatewood, he of the herculean proportions, was so wearied stooping over, picking up puny grounders and hurling the mto first that he was willing to let the outfielders do a little work. Having a lead of thirteen runs he was not greatly worried over the result.

Mr. Gatewood, to some of the fans, looked like Jack Johnson, but he is a larger man. Not only can he fling 'em over fast, slow or zig-zag, but he can put them most any place he nominates, which is decidedly disconcerting to the enemy. He was not much of the strikeout business but as our bold athletes could not roll them past him, he did not have to whiff them. Te ntimes did Mr. Gatewood do the bending stunt and get his victim at first. Once he did the split, and when he stabbed at the pill it rolled serenely between his legs.—Portus Baxter, in the Seattle Times.

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The day was dark and sloppy, just right for a pitcher with speed. Lindsay, of the Negro team, has steam a-plenty and he was helped out by the dark background furnished by Taylor on third base and Parks on first base. These two men are so black that they cast a shadow over the diamond, and Lindsay hopped the ball through so fast that some of our brave boys could not see it. At that, they picked up nine hits off him, the same number that the Negroes made off Dell in six innings. Dell struck out eight men, while Lindsay struck out but four.

There was no chance for good baseball, but despite the awful weather conditions, a fair-sized crowd turned out. Probably in no other city in the United States would an attempt have been made to play under such conditions, and it is quite certain that in no other town would the fans brave a ducking just to see an exhibition game.

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Northwestern baseball fans will not be forced to wait until after the opening of the season on April 15 to get a fair line on the strength of the sextette of diamond squads, for, unless all signs fail, the famous American Giants, the Negro team of Chicago, will meet every team in the circuit before the opening of the 1913 campaign.

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Justin T. (Pug) Bennett passed through our fair city yesterday en route to Vancouver to take up the burden of his steenth season as a baseball pastimer. Mr. Bennett will do his utmost to confuse and confound his old side-kicker Tealey Raymond, and Mike Lynch, his old boss, after the season starts, by hitting 'er out when they expect a bunt and dumping the ball when they are looking for a crashing drive, and thus aid Bob Brown to win a pennant to decorate his new ball park. Mr. Bennett passed the winter in San Diego, playing ball every once in a while. He took part in a number of games against the Chicago Giants, the team of Negroes who will play here next month. He says the brunettes are some baseball players and they are a lot of comedians along with it. Monroe at second base is something like fifty years old, Pug says, and he is a scream when he gets to cutting up. Petway is a great thrower, and makes his signals to the pitcher in plain view of the batsman. If the latter tries to take advantage of it he is very apt to be crossed, and when he steps in to meet a curve bal., a fast one will be sent whizzing at his head. Bennett says the darkies play the game right up to the handle, and if they get oft in front they are apt to beat any club in the land. If the other fellow gets the bulge on them, though, they do not fight nearly so hard. Bennett does not think the clubs in the Northwestern league have much chance of beating the Negroes, especially at this time of the year, for the Negroes are in tip top condition, while the boys up here are not yet in shape for bruising battles. If the weather should be cold, however, the darkies will have their troubles for they like the hot weather like a kitten snuggles up to a hot brick. Gatewood is the star pitcher of the bunch and he will pitch one of the games here.

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JACK JOHNSON

Celebrates Thirty-Fifth Birthday—Friends Gather at His Home—Recites Verses and Plays His Violin.

(By Billy Lewis.)

Jack Johnson doesn't seem to be very much disturbed by his forthcoming trial in the federal court at Chicago. A few days ago he celebrated his thirty-fifth birthday in a manner befitting his reputation. The event took place at his residence 3344 Waabsh avenue. If he's yet to be gathered in by the law he "sho don't act that way." Perhaps he is carrying out the old epicurean admonition, "eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you may die."

One would think, judging by Mr. Johnson's expense account, that he had reached the latter half of his fortune, and then some. But even in that event he would still have enough to justify blowing in a little now and then for the things that give him pleasure. He reminds one of a deposed ruler who had had everything that his heart could wish. He now finds himself reduced in opportunity and "circumstance," yet the old pomp and splendor must not depart altogether. What's in the system will out sporadically if not perennially. The thoughts of past glory sticketh closer than a brother. Even demented old sovereigns when locked up in mad houses are permitted to indulge their fancies that they are at the top of the world in all of their jovian mightiness.

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Johnson has not receded an inch, so far as anyone knows, in fighting ability. The chances of his fighting again are becoming less bright all of the time. Indeed, he must hurry and break his bindings if he expects to stand for much in his chosen field. The point is, that in spite of the toils of the law the champion finds time enough and money enough to indulge his fancies. He evidently wants it known that he is by no means a "dead one." His recent spread was eloquent of what he was, what he is and what he hopes to remain for a long, long time.

"You mustn't believe everything you hear" is a trite old admonition. However, I am extremely anxious to believe that Jack's party was all that it was advertised to be. This may appear a dangerous kind of sympathy—not in the interest of Johnson's financial longevity. It is not meant that way. I think most of Johnson's admirers love to think of him having a splendid good time, knowing that the man is built that way. The sympathy runs out to hi mas it does to fallen greatness wheresoever. Johnson has not fallen; but his fall is imminent. He appears in that deposed state for which indulgence is the passion.

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Johnson needed no caterers for his more than one hundred guests. The Johnson household are experts at the business, so the story goes. One hundred and fifty spring chickens, twenty crates of celery, five gallons of mayonnaise dressing, three hundred loaves of bread and twenty-five pounds of butter was the report from one cook.

"Another said one hundred choice filets mignon with mushroom sauce, one hundred portions of French peas and one hundred portions of Parisienne potatoes, one hundred portions of filet of black bass au vin blanc made up my order."

The confectioner supplied a hundred or more forms of ice cream, one hundred cups of Roman punch and between twenty and twenty-five gallons of champagne punch was served throughout the evening. Assorted cakes in great variety were also served. Salted nuts and bonbons and other trimmings were provided in abundance.

The table was a dream—with a beautiful lace cloth with an underlining of pink and candelabrae with pink candles and shades and a huge centerpiece in the form of a basket of bridesmaid roses and lilies of the valley.

A hundred guests were present.

Presents were received from every quarter of the globe. Telegrams and letters were received throughout the entire evening."

The Chicago Defender is responsible for the foregoing details. I am perfectly willing for that publication to have the credit of furnishing the information of those generous quantities of food.

Mrs. Lucile Johnson headed the receiving line, which was made up of representatives of both races, the condition that is a Jack Johnson hobby, and a rather expensive one at that. However, we are not willing to desert him in the eleventh hour, since his offense, so far as his marriage is concerned, is simply against sentiment, owing to the great distance between the races as viewed. A great deal of unpleasantness has followed, and considerable anti-race feeling, but no one should be blamed. Only the racial situation is responsible.

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Mrs. Lucile Johnson, was becomingly attired in a gown of Copenhagen blue, decollette, with a bodice beaded with jet and cut steel buttons. She carried a huge bouquet of sweet peas and lilies of the valley. The gown was of the latest style, being cut up in front, her own creation. The champion looked immaculate in the conventional tuxedo.

Mr. William Ingram, major domo at the Johnson mansion, had everything in charge. His master hand was seen in the decorations and the perfect service. He also designed the huge birthday cake, which was thirty-five biscuits in circumference. An expert confectioner decorated it and it was one of the wonders of the occasion.

Mr. Teenan Jones and Art Cardozier, besides sending the champion a handsome present, sent the Elite orchestra, which furnished enlivening music throughout the evening.

The champion enjoyed himself immensely. He played several selections on his bass violin and discussed poetry. He spoke of the poem written by Miss Bettioloo Fortson in 1910 predicting his victory. He lauded Paul Lawrence Dunbar and recited "If," his favorite poem by Kipling. The champion is a great admirer of Kipling and can recite many of his verses verbatim.

The poem is as follows:

"IF."

I.

If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting, too;
If you can wait and not be tired of waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise.

II.

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aims;
If you can meet with triumph and disaster,
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken,
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build them up with worn-out tools;

III.

If you can make one heap of all your winnings,
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings,
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the will which says to them "Hold on!"

IV.

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings—nor lose the common touch;
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you;
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a man, my son!

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Among those present were Dr. G. H. Jackson, Dr. Lecount Cook, Dr. Thorn, Dr. Tuner, Dr. Reginald Smith, Dr. Clifford Nichols, Mr. Cross Wait, Mr. Walter Anderson, Dr. Harry Garnes, Mr. L. B. Lawrence, Mr. Frank Gorden and Mr. William Maddox.

PROGRESSIVE SHELBYVILLE.

Saffell and Saffell in the Limelight—Public School—Brown's Fine Castle—Dr. W. D. Locke—Eminence School Closing—Social Flights.

(By Hardin Tolbert.)

SHELBYVILLE, Ky. (Special)—In viewing the progress of the picturesque city of Shelbyville, which the writer had the pleasure of visiting a few days this week, I was escorted to to the residence of Miss M. B. Whitaker, on the corner of Fifth street and Broadway by my old friend, George Banks. I enjoyed the hospitality of this excellent home. I then visited Mrs. Lulu Toblert, a relative, Mrs. Jennie Thomas and Mrs. Ellen French, where I also received similar treatment. I was indeed glad to meet Dr. W. D. Locke, who drove me all over the city in his buggy. Dr. Locke is the son of Rev. Locke of the M. E. church. Dr. Locke is considered one of the best physicians in the city, regardless of color. He is also one of our most brilliant orators. Dr. Locke married Miss Marshall, one of Shelbyville's popular young ladies. I am glad to know that they are both christian young people....Saffell & Saffell are very popular among our people, and in a business sense they are considered the leading undertakers of the city. They also have a branch business at Eminence, under the management of Mr. William H. Jones....Mrs. Daisy Saffell is making great headway in the work of religion and fraternal organizations....Prof. G. W. Saffell, Jr., is very popular in the work of promoting the well-being of his people in this city. He is principal of the city high school, and is assisted by Mrs. R. D. Roman, Mrs. S. L. Smith, Misses Murphy, P. Madison and Alice Womack. The work of this school is excellent. Virgia Payne is custodian of the school....I found Mr. Ennis Redden, proprietor of a restaurant, busily engaged in reading his Bible, which demonstrated to me that he is a thorough christian gentleman. He is highly esteemed by his people....To my surprise, I found my old friend, Professor R. D. Roman, who has just closed a successful year at the Eminence public school. He is a brilliant educator and also a progressive real estate dealer....Dr. F. B. Hawkins, a prominent physician and surgeon, was out of the city on business....Wilbur Brown is the peer in Kentucky among the billiard hall proprietors. He has a parlor with six fine tables, which are unique and attractive. His place of business is conducted in an up-to-date manner, the best of order prevailing at all times. Mr. Brown is indeed a successful business man....David L. Rucker, Shelbyville's tonsoral artist, is deliverirng the goods in his line. He is very popular in the city....William Baxter has just returned froh his trip as advance agent for Prof. Eph Williams' famous show....Mrs. M. Todd is one of the city's first-class cateresses, and the people are very proud of her....Fisher Million is making a success of the restaurant business....The colored churches—Baptist, Rev. William Brown, pastor; M. E., Rev. W. T. Wallon, pastor; A. M. E., Rev. J. H. Abel, pastor, and the Mission, Rev. J. D. Craig, pastor—are making much progress....Mrs. Lizzie Weaver is making a success of the Shelbyville Hotel. She has a very attractive hostelry....Wm. Todd is doing well and has the distinction of being the only colored gentleman in his line of business....Mrs. Fannie Boone is proprietoress of a first-class boarding house, where the best of service is guaranteed....The Elk cafe is favored with the service of such popular young men as Messrs. Richard Adams and Walter Chinn....The Military brass band is making a success of its work, being under the competent management of Mr. Fountain Brown....Mme. J. C. Walker, of Indianapolis, is being represented in this city by Mrs. E. R. Hughes....Burton & Bros. are successful barbers....Mrs. Zora Clark is the only trained nurse in the city....Mrs. Amy Rucker has a first-class restaurant. She is the mother of several children, who are very attractive in the city....N. J. Butler is proprietor of a restaurant and is making good by his ability of showing the people what good cooked food is....J. L. Martin is conducting a first-class store on Tenth street. He is a good, christian young man and is very popular among the people of the city....Everett Smothers is conducting a nice restaurant next to the poolroom. He is assisted by his wife....Mr. rRobinson is conducting a nice barber shop. William Ellis is making good at the Bemis cafe....The Freeman is in the hands of Master Lyeal Hawkins, who will report the news from this city....Miss Verna Tucker is recovering from a recent illness....The writer took lunch with Mrs. R. D. Roman....George Miles, a local sport, is making a success as foreman at Hider's cafe. He is assisted by Bunk May....Robert Dowery, Misses Elizabeth M. McClosky and E. Rikey are making their marks at the State Normal....Miss Anna Goodman has been very ill, but is able to be up again....I was the guest of my sister, Mrs. Ona Dow, and Mrs. Harriet Brown at Anchorage....Rev. F. L. Scott left for Frankfort to spend a few days this week....There is a great demand among the people for race pride, and the question is frequently asked concerning the young people in regard to instilling in them the pride they should possess for the race....When you have money to spend, don't forget that the Negro is in business and will treat you as well as the white man, and in most instances better. If we expect to make progress, we must help one another. When a white man hires one of our boys it in some lowly position, and we can not expect anything better until we create places for our own boys in business. This can only be accomplished by giving your support to the colored business men, and in this way increase their business and make a greater demand for colored help, which ultimately will redound to our younger members in something better than the poor-paid and miserable positions offered by members of the white race. This is the twentieth century, and it is time that our people were waking up to their advantages. How should be expect the colored physician, grocer, barber, or any other line of business to prosper if we do not encourage them with our patronage. Let our people see to it that our colored business men have our hearty support....Hardin Tolbert, general newspaper correspondent, will be in the city April 11, to attend the commencement of the public school.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON A LEADER.

The best seller in the book line for the last ten years is not any of the popular novels as one would suppose, but the book "Up From Slavery," by Booker T. Washington. Edition after edition has been printed and the demand is still unsatisfied. Copies in libraries are soon worn out by use and have to be replaced. The author of this book addressed Bismarck citizens on Monday evening, March 3. People will have a chance to see and hear this most remarkable man. After Taft, Roosevelt and Wilson, Booker T. Washington, occupies the most prominent place in the public thought. All these other men have ancestry and culture behind them, but Booker T. Washington was born a slave in a plantation hut and has risen to fame in spite of all his handicaps. He must be ranked as a great leader.—Bismarck, N. D., Tribune.

HOUSTON, TEXAS.

Special to the Freeman.

The funeral of Mr. and Mrs. McMurrie took place from Wesley chapel here Sunday. It was one of the saddest affairs ever witnessed. The wife died Thursday, March 13, and the husband on March 15....Mr. Stafford E. Harris, one of the oldest colored barbers of this city, passed away here this week. He was well known all over the city as a christian gentleman and a good barber. He was filled with that noble race pride, which should characterize every true member of the race. Mr. Harris was in ill health for some time. Several relatives are left to mourn his demise.

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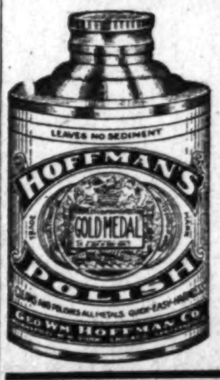

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Mr. Wm. E. Scott was the guest of Mr. Farrell, of Chicago, last week.

The Lotus Club meets next Monday evening at Mr. Will Fielding's.

Hon. Alexander Manning, of this city, has gone to New York on business.

Mr. Billy Wilkins, of Peru, Ind., was in the city the first of the week on business.

Miss Ethel Motley, of Chicago, is visiting in the city this week, the guest of her uncle, Mr. T. A. Motley, proprietor of Motley's cafe.

Mrs. Clothilde Hawkins has returned to her present home in St. Louis, after spending four weeks with her parents in Capitol avenue.

The services of St. Phillip's Mission were held in the chapel of St. Paul's Church last Sunday because of the work going on in the mission. However, services this week will be held in the mission.

The Men's Club will give a chicken dinner Sunday, April 24, at the residence of Mr. Will Fielding, 330 West Michigan street, from 12 to 9 p. m. The dinner will be cooked by Mr. Mullen, chef at Board of Trade.

Simpson M. E. church, corner Eleventh and Missouri streets. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m., subject, "The Sabbath and Its Civilizing Influences"; Epworth League, 6:30 p. m.; preaching, 7:30 p. m., subject, "Meeting Life's Issues With Determined Manliness." H. A. Foreman, pastor.

The Mary Turner Cooper Club of Kindergarted No. 3, on West Walnut street, will give the playlet, "The Return of Letty," at the Flanner Guild, on Thursday evening, May 6. The characters will be represented by the following ladies: Miss Ruggs, Miss Essie Hodge; Amanda Alton, Miss Lizzie Potter; Phoebe Hicks, Miss Janie Williams; Ruth Carey, Miss Zenobia Clark; Celeste, Miss Eva Ridley; Lauretta Montgomery, Miss Bessie Witt. Miss Ruth Guthrie at the piano. Admission ten cents. Miss Palsey Stout, president; Miss Essie Rodge, secretary.

CHURCH NOTICE.

St. Luke M. E. Church, corner Locke and Coe streets. Rev. H. Griffin, pastor. Residence, 938 Coe street. Services: Preaching, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday School, 2 p. m.; Epworth League, 7 p. m.; class meeting Tuesday evening; Literary Department of Epworth League, Thursday evening.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Y. M. C. A. Literary Society was organized last Tuesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. building. It will have as its object the giving of recitals, debates, oratorical contests, entertainments of a high standard and the development of the intellect. It is hoped that this organization will be of a representative caliber, to which all men who are members of the association are invited to join.

The first annual state oratorical contest to be given by the Y. M. C. A. Literary Society will be given the last week in May. Entries continue to come in and a great contest is expected. Indiana University is the last entry to be received, along with the Ethical Culture Society, the Forum and the Y. M. C. A. It gives promise of being the literary treat of the year.

The Y. M. C. A. basket ball team will make an invasion of the Southland Monday, when it plays the strong basket ball team of the Colored Men's Branch Y. M. C. A., in Louisville, Ky. The team will be composed of George Hazzard, captain; Herbert Willis, Ralph Bryant, Ben Coleman, Daniel Phelps and Mitchel Gilmer.

The Tuesday night Bible school that has been in session all the season will hold its international Bible class examinations next Tuesday evening. All class members who pass will be given credit for the first year's work of a regular four-years' course.

The Y. M .C. A. band will give their first annual minstrel this spring, date to be announced later.

The Y. M. C. A. Literary Society meets each Tuesday evening.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS AT COLUMBIA, MO.

Big Day Among the Pythians and Calanthians—Grand Chancellor A. W. Lloyd, of St. Louis, and Prof. B. F. Adams, Grand Lecturer, Springfield, Mo., Speak to Crowded Houses.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Acme Lodge No. 24, and A. B. Moore, Court house No. 22, rendered a splendid Anniversary program at the M. E. church Sunday afternoon, April 13th. Excellent music was rendered by a mixed choir. Mrs. Ella McCain read a very touching paper on "Will I be Missed." Bro. Oden McClain, K. of R. & S., of Acme Lodge, read a short paper on the "Knights of Pythias." Next followed an address by the Grand Chancellor, which was followed by another address by the Grand Lecturer. Rev. B. McCain, pastor of the church, then spoke, his text was, Job 3d Chap. 22. "Thou shalt also decree a thing and it shall be established into thee, and the light shall shine upon thy way." The Reverend said that Eliphag told Job to repent and acknowledbe his sin; and that he would have great riches and prosperity. He exhorted the Knights to repent, live right and obey God. A collection of $23.00 was taken up. The anniversary exercises closed with a reception to the Grand Chancellor, Monday night, which was a big affair. The lodge and court turned out in full and the occasion was truly a red letter day for the Pythians in Columbia, and a feast of good things for the good citizens of that city. Another attraction of the day was the third quarterly meeting held by Rev. P. S. Crews, P. E. of the Colmbia Dist. A. M. E. church. The Rev. preached two able sermons. Columbia has a large population of Negroes all of whim seem to be prospering—Negro Enterprise—The colored people of Columbia own $110,000 worth of valuable property and many are engaged in business, prominent amonb these are the Coleman Laundry, owned and managed by Prof. J. B. Coleman, Ex-Prin. of Fred Douglass School, and one of the best teachers and educators of the race in the state. His laundry employs sixteen persons. Mrs. Coleman, also an ex-teacher, is bookkeeper. Prof. Coleman has a splendid business. Next comes Dr. G. O. Caldwell, the druggist, who is operating a splendid drug store and doing well.

Columbia also has a moving picture show and vaudeville, which is said to be a paying business. There are also two flourishing groceries owned and operated by Negroes, and one meat market. There are three Negro physicians, each havinb a good practice. Columbia also has five Negro secret organizations, all of which are doing much for the moral uplift of the race. Acme Lodge No. 24, K. of P. has 108 financial members, and has the only C. C. in the state who has served fourteen consecutive years. Thisis Sergt. W. H. Turner, an old soldier, and who has been the janitor at the Missouri University for the last twenty years.

The Knights of Pythias of Missouri are proving a potent factor in fostering the principles of race unification and enterprise. The agent of the Freeman, Roy Turner, is a worthy boy and is quite busy selling the Freeman every Sunday. He hopes to put it in one hundred homes in Columbia; encourge him, for the race and the order.

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FORT WORTH, TEX.

Special to The Freeman.

The Fort Worth Negro Civic League held a public meeting at Morning chapel C. M. E. church Sunday night. Prof. G. T. Gray presided. Many affairs of interest to the Negroes were discussed by the following speakers: Hon. William McDonald, Prof. G. T. Gray, W. H. Harvey, Nathan Johnson, F. T. Perkins, Rev. N. L. Smith. The choir rendered some excellent music....Mrs. James Diaz, of Rotan, N. M., is the guest of Mrs. William Rawls....A large delebation of Ft. Worth friends attended the funeral of the late grand master of the Odd Fellows, Hon. H. C. Bell, at Denton, Texas......The American Mutual, the Negro insurance company of Houston, entertained the Civic League Tuesday night, April 15 with a banquet at Houston hall on East Ninth street. Vice-President F. T. Perkins was in charge. Hon. William McDonald was master of ceremonies. Addressed were delivered by Drs. J. H. Winn, N. L. Smith and T. H. Wyatt....Forth Worth is undergoing a change of city administration. A number of officials will be retired, including about thirty-five or forty policemen. No policeman will be allowed to remain on the force who has killed a man....The Colored Baseball League met in Dallas April 15. The following clubs were represented: Fort Worth, Hiram McGar, manager; Oklahoma City, C. A. Mason, manager; Dallas, A. S. Wells, manaber; Waco, Theodore Graves, manager; Mineral Wells, Washington Waldon, manager; Houston, Frank Tejan, manager. Plans were made as to the transportation of the teams, and a suitable schedule was outlined....The Fort Worth Wonders crossed bats with Dallas at Gaston park, Dallas, Sunday, April 13, Fort Worth winning by a score of 11 to 4. Batteries—Fort Worth, Black Tank and Sandtop; Dallas, Chaney and Brown.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The cold spring weather makes fuel and winter clothes the more acceptable....A feeling of unity should exist among the members of the race in this city. They should get together and help organize colored business enterprises, and then see that they have the support of the Negroes after they are organized. This is what is needed in a commercial center like Dallas, if the colored race is to make any advancement. The field is large and should be cultivated. Let us get together and see what can be done. Other cities have larbe colored business concerns, why not Dallas? It is not a difficult task, although it will take some effort on the part of a few hustlers. Get together and organize a company as a starter, and sell shares of stock to the people. These shares could be placed at a price which would enable almost any one to purchase them, and would create an incentive on the co-operative plan to patronize the business, as each stockholder would be personally interested in the progress of the concern. Persons capable of heading such an enterprise are to be found right here in our city....Emile E. Raby, G. S. Dean, J. W. Whitely, L. Mathias, W. W. Maxwell, C. J. Norisworthy, F. Smith and F. Johnson are to be found at the Excelsior Shop, 1214 Ray street.... If you have paid up for the Freeman it will be in your home every Monday. See J. G. Griffin....Mrs. N. Currey, of Corsicana, and Mr. Charles Williams, Shreveport, La., returned to their home this week after enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. James Price, 2511 Montazuma street. ....Last Monday found the Daughters of Tabor in the city on their way to the St. John Baptist church, Cochran and Allen streets, to greet their grand high priestess who is making her annual tour. She gave her hearers much good advice which will be of much benefit to them....Mrs. Lottie McCauley, wife of Mr. Emanuel McCauley, is improving from a recent illness. She recently underwent an operation which was performed by Drs. C. L. Morgan and R. T. Hamilton....Mrs. Carrie Bell Reid, of Rockwell, is spendinb several weeks here with her mother and sisters at 1110 South Pearl street and 2110 Runnels street....Mr. and Mrs. Don Traylor, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jones and Mrs. W. Mossic and Master Edward, of Marshall, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Streety, 719 Fairmont street....The night school is for you, and you ought to be there securing an education instead of loafing on the streets....Mrs. J. H. Pierson sustained a very painful injury last week while alighting from a street car. She is improving at present....Mr. and Mrs. J. Gilmore are soon to move into their new home at the corner of Hall and Campbell streets, which they recently purchased. ....Miss Erma Wallace and mother left recently for Los Angeles, Cal., to make their future home....Mr. Sam Springfield and several other bright lights are loyal supporters of the Freeman....Mr. Leander A. Briscoe, Jr., of San Antonio, is here visiting his father at 2110 Canton street....Mr. Will Clark, the fighting demon, is head porter at the Dallas Club and keeps in fightinb condition all the time....Little Chink Tenners and James Calder are to mix matters in the padded circle at an early date....Mr. Tom H. Lowe, the dancing promoter, has leased the Majestic Club and thoroughly remodeled it for his patrons....Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Moody, of Mexia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Taylor, 1810 North Allen street....It is reported that the Sir Knights and Daughters of Tabor will lay the corner stone of Galilee Baptist church Sunday, April 20 at 3 o'clock p. m., at the corner of McCoy and Munger avenue. All are invited to witness the ceremonies.... Rev. George Johnson, of this city, has been engaged in a big revival of the denomination of the Church of God in south Texas and has added several new members to that body....Mrs. W. H. Martin, little Allie Lacey, Mr. Richard Bolden and Mrs. M. J. Weil are all improving.... Gen. J. L. Jones was well received by the officers and members of Jewel Company, No. 5, of Fort Worth, last Friday night. He is assisting the general committee in completing arranbements to entertain the Knights of Pythias grand lodge there in June. Capt. Mathias White and his officers are held in the highest esteem by the people of Forth Worth and the order will be nobly assisted by the citizens of that city in entertaining the guests at the sessions....Pride of the West Company, No. 4, and Oriental Company, No. 15, and the Regimental band will wive a benefit entertainment for the traveling fund of these companies at Majestic hall on April 22. The public is cordially invited, and a good time is insured....Thomas & Carroll have recently put out a new ice wagon to take care of your patronage....Mr. Joe Ashley has remodeled his pool hall at 216 Raay street for the comfort of his many patrons at this popular place....Dallas baseball fans attended the opening of the Texas baseball season here last Sunday and also in Waco....Our new subscribers are A. G. Sheperson, J. W. Stewart, A. Morban, S. B. Coleman, James Haynes, Amelia Burns, M. B. Adkinson, Beulah Redd, Annie Lewis, Mose Taylor, Minnie Brooks, Tyler Jordan, Pearl Nicols, W. H. Harrison, H. Davis, Osa Gray, James Arbickle, Minnie Grayham and W. A. Abner....Let the Negroes prove themselves masters of the situation by efficiency and watch the result. ....It is very noticeable that our carriage and cab drivers are keeping their conveyances in better condition then heretofore and are giving better service in every respect, for which the public is truly grateful. Improvement always helps any kind of business....Mr. Ed Wilburn and several other leading Knights of Pythias, are working to uplift Pythianism in this old town, which is to be commended, as the recent gatherings showed a great improvement in the lodges. The next big move is the starting of the temple which calls for Knight to lend his aid financially.... Miss Pearl and Miss Laura Martin, of Jacksonville, spent several days in this city and were the buests of their sister, Mrs. Lillie Gilmore, 2922 Cochran street. They received many social courtesies.

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FRANKFORT, Ky., (Special).

Rev. E. J. Jackson, rector of the Corinthian Baptist church, of which charge he has been pastor for several years. The Corinthian church is noted as being the highest cultured colored church in the audience. Whenever this congregation calls a minister it is a settled fact that he is a highly cultured Christian clergyman. Rev. Jackson has just returned from the Southland, where he has been conducting a successful religious campaign among his people. Fifty-one converts was the success of the religious campaign in Columbia, S. C., Mobile, Ala., and Pensacola, Fla. Editor Richard Corral, one of the leading Negro ministers and educators of the South, who gives lectures under the auspices of a white lyceum bureau, paid high tribute to Rev. Jackson, in his modest and sedate way of winning souls for Christ. The impression that Rev. Jackson left in the South will help Kentucky, for he is among the state's best material and we are all glad to see the young man go out and make such a fine record.

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The city federation of Women's Clubs met at the residence of Mrs. Tabitha Anderson on High street. A representative of every club in the city was present. Many topics of the day were discussed and it was decided to have two concerts for the benefit of the flood sufferers and the churches. A mass meeting will be held at the A. M. E. church this afternoon for the purpose of discussing the best means of raising money for the two causes. It is the unanimous wish of the people to help these two causes and the concerts will be given for them. The program will be made up largely with home talent, and a few of the better artists of the state.

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Smith's saxaphone trio orchestra, of Versailles, of which Mr. L. M. Smith is manager, was in the city and made a hit at the Odd Fellows' hall. A large crowd of pleasure seekers attended the ball, which was given in honor of the Black Patti Musical Comedy Company. Smith is getting in the limelight with his orchestra. They all play by note and are not playing the other fellows' music and second hand stuff. They play both classical and ragtime music. They have learned the great lesson of "stick to your job," whic his winning success for them. Mr. J. B. Harris was floor manager.

Dr. Pindar M. Flacks, 1201 West Shestnut street, Louisville, Ky., was the guest of Miss C. A. Boyd, music teacher at the Clinton street high school.

The writer was the guest of Shelbyville for a few hours and visited the city school. Entering the door we met Miss Alice Womach and Mrs. Mayme Stone Roman, busy lunching on some of the domestic science product, of which department Miss Murphy is the head. In viewing some of the display work on the first and second floors, we were agreeably surprised and will tell you more about it in the next issue, which letter will consist of a writeup of Shelbyville and all of its business places. To the east of the building was the dining room, and there sat two attractive damsels, Misses Minnie B. Whittiker and Marietta P. Madison, in company with Editor Lee L. Brown, of the Louisville News, and Mr. J. Midgeford Simius, United States court crier of Jefferson county. We met Prof. G. W. Saffell, Jr., principal of the school, and Mrs. S. L. Smith.

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Mr. Major Morten gave a party in honor of Prof. James Rollins and wife, of Marion county, who were en route to New York. The rooms were artistically decorated with pretty flowers. A five-course menu was served. Those present were Misses C. A. and E. M. Boyd, and Messrs. Jones, of Danville, and Robert Hall.

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Mrs. Spencer Mosby gave a dinner in honor of Mr. Spencer Jackson and his daughter Jennie. A four-course menu was served and a pleasant afternoon enjoyed.

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Master James R. Calvery is able to be up after a few days' illness.

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Miss Susie B. Jones, of Versailles, is in the city, the guest of her brother.

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Mrs. Lizzie Allen has gone to Cooper Station.

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Mr. James A. Garnett, of Harrodsburg, a first-class barber, is in charge of the famous old stand of Mr. Bud Russell.

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Miss Rosa L. Howard spent a day in Louisville, the guest of Mrs. Margaretta Washington.

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Prof. H. T. Clarence Russell, professor of English at the State Normal school, was called to oLuisville to meet a committee of the U. B. F., of which organization he is secretary. Prof. Russell is very popular and it has been rumored that his friends have slated him for the post as a candidate for secretary when the lodge meets at Georgetown. Prof. Russell remains silent on this subject.

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Mrs. Fannie Cooper, of Cincinnati, O., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Canada.

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Mrs. Charles Marshall is able to be up after a few weeks' sickness.

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Mr. M. H. Harrison, N. D. G. M. of Mosaic Templars, left for Shelbyville after a few days' sickness.

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Mrs. Richard Grayson, of Georgetown, is the guest of Mrs. James C. Brown.

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Mrs. Geneva Harris Turley has received her divorce from her husband, Mr. Turley, a photographer of Louisville. She now bears her maiden name, Miss Harris.

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Mr. Albert Halle, managing proprietor of the Eugene Stone barber shop, spent a day in Louisville.

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The following are the names of the converts of the First Baptist church, of which Rev. W. T. Silvey is rector. A large number of them were baptized Sunday: George Poston, Wm. Booker, Rachel Jones, Ellen Lyons, George Williams, Maria Booker, Louis Hall, Clara Jewell, Wm. Crutchfields, Griffon Taylor, Jevene Terley, Mary Flord, Emma Thompson, Taylor Collins, Caroline Johnson, Ella M. Martin, Margaretta Allen, Mary Holms, Mary Baxter, Virginia Hall, Maggie Turner, Helen Henry, Maggie Harvey, Luella Hays, William Adams, Maggie Turney, Opal Rosby, Sammie Johnson, Georgia Johnson, Lucy Pride, Caroline Miller, John H. Jones, William Kid Bush, Bessie Lerm, Barnetta Turner, Fannie Gains, Mercy Knight, Matt. Henry, Cecelia Peay, Georgia Murry, Nellie Haines, Mattie Woolridge, Allen Shelton, Litima Reed, Christina Kennedy, James R. Kennedy, Mary L. Parker, Addie Coles, Maud Woodfolk, Lula Kendall, Ada Lewis, Lucinda Thompson, Howard M. Green, Roy Smith, Mabel Perry, Johnnie Johnson and Lizzie Warren.

KANSAS CITY (MO.) NEWS.

Special to The Freeman.

The U. B. F. organized a uniform rank last Monday and are now preparing to appear before the public in 1914 with up-to-date uniforms and drills....Miss Ethel Burnett, society leader, is ill at her residence, 1618 Howard avenue....The Criterion theater is owned and by our colored brothers, who will soon erect a new $40,-00 playhouse......Mr. Charles F. Kimbrough, well-known chef of this city, died last Wednesday night at 10:55. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Springfield, Mo., and of Fred Doublass Lodge, No. 86, U. B. F., of this city. He leaves a wife, two sons and one brother and a number of friends to mourn his death.... Mrs. Julia Greenley left the city this week to visit her daughter in St. Joe, Mo., and her son in Ohio....The Freeman can be bought of Neal Range, 1407 Lydia street.

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